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SITE RE-**OPENS**



Colfox safe despite collapse of Jarvis

THE future of The Sir John Colfox School in Bridport has been assured despite the financial collapse of business giants Jarvis who built and manage the site.

Colfox became the first private finance initiative school in the country in 1999, but years of financial concern have come to a head.

Jarvis - best known for their work in railway maintenance - were re portedly on the edge of bankruptcy in 2004 but avoided collapse. Last week they were forced to suspend trading and hand over running of the business to administrators Deloitte & Touche LLP.

The administrators are in the process of assessing the financial situation of Jarvis Plc and its subsidiary Jarvis Accommodation Services Ltd, who

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ties at Colfox School, as it looks to "stabilise the

Despite concerns the administrators have agreed to continue providing their services to the school until a buyer for the business can be found.

In a press release issued by Jarvis on Thursday of last week they said: "Jarvis Plc has been impacted by economic conditions generally and, in particular, the very considerable reductions in rail and plant work vol-

umes, meaning that trading conditions have been, and continue to be, difficult. During this period the board has been focussed on improving the financial position and the long-term viability of the company for the benefit of all of its stakeholders.

"However, following negotiations with the company's secured lenders, it has today become clear that sufficient support will not be extended to the company to enable it to continue trading as a going concern.

"As a consequence, the directors now have no option but to take steps (together with the company's secured lenders) to place the company, and certain of its subsidiaries, into administration and to request that trading in its shares be suspended with immediate effect."

Nick Edwards, Deloitte partner and Joint Administrator, commented: "Unfortunately, Jarvis Plc reached a position where a substantial funding gap meant they were unable to continue trading.

"Our immediate priority will be to work with stakeholders to stabilise the business while we identify which parts of the busi-

"It will continue to provide its services, such as

ness we can continue to

trade and seek buyers for

A Dorset County Coun

"While we understand

that Jarvis Plc and Jarvis

Accommodation Services

(JAS) have gone into ad-

ministration, we can con-

firm that Jarvis Colfox

School Services Ltd has

spokesperson said:

as going concerns.

catering, caretaking and ground maintenance at the school as normal. "However, we are mon-

itoring the situation closely to ensure that pupils and staff are not affected and have contingency plans in place.

"Jarvis Colfox School Services understand that the JAS administrators intend to continue to deliver the facilities management services to The Sir John Colfox School whilst seeking a sale of the business."







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Main switchboard: Tel: (01297) 446057 Fax: (01297) 444981 oped his interest in local politics after retiring from a career in commercial aviation and then

Originally from Bristol, Councillor Day visited Bridport regularly for almost 20 years before eventually making the move with his wife 10 years-ago. He was followed shortly by his mother who he persuaded to join him on the

Having retired Councillor Day now fills his time as an Advisor at Bridport Citizens' Advice Bureau and as Chairman of Bridport Conserva-

tives, but he still finds time to walk his dogs.
Councillor Day was elected onto the town council in April last year following a local by-

■ YOU were elected as a town councillor a year ago, are you finding it rewarding?

Yes, but it is also so frustrating. There are so many things that I would like done to improve our town, but cannot because of the limitations of the powers of the town council. The council is so dominated by Libdems that little can be achieved without their agreement. However, I think that I have learned a lot from being a councillor and hope to use that knowledge in the future. The best thing about being a councillor is helping people and serving my fellow citizens. I would strongly recommend public service to anyone who wants to make a contribution to their community.

■ WHAT are the most important issues affecting Bridport at the moment?

Employment, education, housing and poverty. They are all linked in a vicious circle. Low expectations and achievement in education can result in poor job prospects, insecure employment and low income. This can lead on to acceptance of low quality housing and poverty in financial and attainment terms. I would like to see Bridport advertised as a place that welcomes new business, as well as making it more attractive to tourists. An improvement in employment prospects is the quickest and most effective way of breaking the cycle and helping everyone in this town.

ARE you still pleased you supported the new

Yes, I am. I still believe there will be an overall beneficial effect for the people of Bridport. However, I do not like the ugly Travis Perkins building that is currently under construction, but I was unable to influence that proposal.

I have to add that I am less sympathetic to the Spar shop opening in East Street. This shop will have a much more far-reaching impact on the town and the



■ WHY did you choose the Conservative party?

All politics are compromises. All the main parties have some good ideas and I have some sympathy with the UKIP attitude to Europe and immigration. However, overall I believe the Conservatives have a good balance and the right ideas to get us out of the current mess.

■ WHERE do you see yourself in five years time?

I hope to be still living in and enjoying our unique town. I would like to continue as an advisor at Bridport Citizens' Advice Bureau and if I still have the energy, I may consider standing as a district councillor. I want to avoid spreading myself so thinly that I cannot do everything well.



■ WHERE do you see Bridport in five years time?

I would like to see a thriving town, with high employment, decent affordable housing, but still retaining its unique and special character. It should be a town that is attractive to all ages and tastes.

I would like to see improved approaches to the town; including the roundabouts (Yeovil does it well). A redeveloped South West Quadrant that retains the 'artisan's area' and incorporates it into a proper and sustainable plan, encouraging visitors to explore the town. I would also like to see the railway restored and

At West Bay, I would like to see some in-character buildings - not those awful flats. An end to the anti-social behaviour of some young motorists that causes annoyance to visitors and residents, together with a 20 mph speed limit. I would like to see the Esplanade made more appealing with raised flower beds and The Mount made into a garden.

■ WHAT was the last book you read, film you watched and CD you listened to?

Book - Break No Bones, by Kathy Reichs, A novel based on forensics; Film - In The Loop. A political satire; CD - The Platinum Collection by Jerry Lee Lewis, but only in my car - when I am alone.

WHO would be your three dream guests at a dinner party and why?

Abraham, Jesus and Mohammed. I am most certainly not a religious person but I would like them to tell me the real truth about their lives, and deaths, and ask them to explain why the religions they founded, apparently based on acceptance and forgiveness, have caused so much loss of life and conflict.

Getting the correct food for them at a dinner party could be tricky though.

Could I also have Barbara Woodhouse to show me how to make our two Yorkies come back every time they are called, please?

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Gore Cross still favourite for waste station

been shortlisted for Bridport's Waste Transfer Station - but Gore Cross is

still top of the list. The Gore Cross site scored highest in the criteria assesment alongside sites at Green Lane Nursery and Miles Cross. Also going forward to stage two of the process for more detailed assessment are sites at Broomhills Farm, Watton Farm and an additional site at Miles Cross.

The review comes some two and a half years after the Dorset County Council initially selected a site at Gore Cross and the long delay now leaves the county council having to

by Tom Glover

apply for a further planning application extension of its own household recy cling centre in South Street, Bridport.

Currently the centre only has temporary planning permission until summer 2010 but the council is now looking to extend that for a further three years.

The current site has been deemed not fit for purpose as it is undersized and causes traffic congestion in Bridport town centre.

Dorset County Council's head of waste management Steve Burdis said: "We have assessed in the search to find the most suitable location for a much needed waste management facility in Brid-

"Improving the household recycling and waste transfer facilities in the area has been a priority for the county council for some time, particularly as the current HRC site was only intended to be a temporary solution. As residents know, finding a suitable site is proving a complex issue with no simple solution.

"Throughout the process we have made a sincere effort to keep local people informed and involved, sites suggested by residents have also been evalnated

"We will be holding further public information days before the Stage Two review is completed, which we expect to be published later in the sum-

Following the review Dorset County Councillor Ronald Coatsworth, who has opposed the choice of Gore Cross as the new site, revealed his reaction.

He said: "I welcome the

report as a step forward. It is spoilt by being produced two and a half years after DCC chose land north of Gore Cross, with nearly

still have to wait another few months for the final, definitive report as Stage Two of the process.

"I am particularly pleased that the A35 sites are now included in the assessments and at the change of mind of the Highways Agency.

"I have always believed that Miles Cross or Broomhills would be the most suitable sites because they are relatively isolated and have natural cover compared with the very open and visible site proposed north of Gore Cross.

"My hope is that at the next stage of this process honesty and reality will

the search for the best site should have been made before the site at Gore Cross was chosen: this truth was recognised at the call to account made late last year and which is now part of the procedures of Dorset County Council.

"Finally, while the report is not conclusive it will help to inform and clarify the position in the minds of the public. DCC welcomments which come can help with the final stage two report and l would hope residents will respond either directly or through the courtesy of the local press.

Bridport town councillor

so important for the public to have their say and for the council to listen and I am pleased that there will be further public consulta-

"I wouldn't like to say what I prefer as a site as that is now down to the public; as a councillor, my role is to make sure the system is adhered to.

"What I would say is that the county council has not got the money for any new the A35 sites are considered then the safety of the access and egress must be looked at."

Further public consultations will now be held before the six short listed locations undergo a more in-depth evaluation.

The county council's cabinet will then make the final decision about which site will go forward for a planning application.

Marginalising drivers not the answer

MARGINALISING young drivers at West Bay as "boy racers" is causing more harm than good according to a local council-

Bridport town and West Dorset district councillor Karl Wallace believes that labelling all the drivers as "boy racers" is causing a divide and they prefer to be called "motoring enthusiasts"

Councillor Wallace has been working to find a solution to the problems caused by young drivers at West Bay for several months, attending several public meetings, helping get members of the public onto the West Bay Steering Group and speaking regu-

larly with young drivers.
As a district councillor he was also involved with the scheme that led to a gate being installed at West Bay car park. Since the gate was in-

stalled other local residents have complained that rather than solving the issue it has just meant that drivers are displaced to other areas of West Bay.

Councillor Wallace said: "It will always be a problem until we start to educate kids from an early age to appreciate other peo-ple's well being.

"We need to make sure that they realise it is not on to go into a housing estate late at night and sit outside paying loud music until the early hours. But I went down to West Bay at the weekend and once the

gates closed at 10:30pm I didn't see any cars on the Meadowlands estate and I just found a couple of cars on the esplanade.
"I think the most impor-

tant thing is not to alienate these people, I was down there every weekend last summer and I know a number of the drivers on a one to one basis and we regularly discuss and chat about possible solutions.

Councillor Wallace also praised the work of local police who have been working closely with local residents to solve the prob-

"Last year the police worked very hard on this and a number of initiatives are now in place and work-

ing very well.
"The police blitzed that

area last summer and if the problem continues I'm sure they will do the same again this year.

"It is only a few people who are spoiling things for the many and we need to get the balance right," he added.







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Museum ready for new season

BRIDPORT Museum opens for business this week after a winter of feverish fundraising to keep it free for visitors

With four new exhibitions the mu seum will be free to visit this year after £3,500 was raised during an auction and donations from local

The doors were opened for the new season on Monday, March 29th and will stay open on Tuesday Wednesday and Thursday, year round, from 10am to 1pm and 2pm to 4pm.

The free community museum was also given a "Pride of Place" award.

Curator Alice Martin said: "It has been really good. It's just a great relief and we are very excited to have it all ready to go. I'd also really like to thank the businesses who have helped. We were really very grateful

to have their help

A group of 40 volunteers help the Bridport Museum Trust caring for a large collection of photographs, social and natural history, geology, textiles and much more.

The trust is a registered charity relying heavily on shop sales and donations although they also receive grants from both the West Dorset District and Bridport Town Councils.





OPENING TIME: Dorset County Council leader David Jenkins, volunteer Nigel Finn, museum curator Alice Martin, Community Engagement officer Bruce Upton and volunteer Alex Alexandra mark Bridport museum's new season



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Dad

Happy 40th Birthday **Paul Carter**

Wishing my husband a very Happy Birthday Lots of Love Sally

Brian Tither has reached the big 60 and still going strong on the line each week Happy Birthday From all at Pymore Football Club

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and Good Luck, we are so proud of you All our Love Mandy, Jake & Lewis

Nicky 50 Today Fantastic Mum. Friend & Colleague xxx

Happy 1st Birthday Kieran Daubney Lots of Love Uncle Stephen & Auntie Tammy Audrev & Leslie Benson Congratulations on your Golden wedding anniversary on 2nd April All the Family send there love



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Expert advice on offer Announcements to Dorset motorcyclists

county are once again being offered expert riding advice from BikeSafe Dorset.

BikeSafe Dorset 2010, an educational initiative for motorcyclists, began yesterday and will include events at Bournemouth and Poole for the first time.

The initiative, offered by Dorset Police and Dorset County Council, offers expert riding advice to all motorcyclists with a session of classroom-based tuition plus a practical ride assessment conducted by police motorcycling professionals for all riders with bikes of 250cc or more.

BikeSafe Dorset provides a chance for motorcyclists to gain advice and tips on a range of subjects to make their riding even safer - including cornering, positioning, overtaking, correct use of gears and hazard perception.

PC Chris Smith is the BikeSafe Dorset co-ordinator. He said: "Once again we are working with our local councils to make Dorset's roads safer.

"This year BikeSafe has even more local opportunities open to bikers across the county to sharpen their riding skills and hopefully avoid becoming a statistic.

"It's never the wrong time to

safe on the county's roads.

"Our local evening theory sessions cost nothing and are open to all motorcyclists. They are held locally across Dorset and riders can just turn up to see what BikeSafe is all about. There is then an option to attend one of our on road assessment dates which are held near to our headquarters.

"It takes just a few hours and could teach you something that might save your life one day."

The BikeSafe Dorset theory session is free to attend and the second part of the course - the assessed practical ride - is offered at a subsidised rate of £40.

Participants must complete both parts in order to fully complete the BikeSafe Dorset course and be issued a certificate.

The theory sessions will take place on the following dates:

- Monday, April 26th: Breakfast Room, The Lodmore (Premier Inn), Preston Beach Road, Weymouth, DT4 7SX;
- Monday, May 3rd: Express by Holiday Inn, Walking Fields Lane, Poole, BH15 1RZ;
- Monday, May 24th: The Bow Room, The Exchange, Old Market Hill, Sturminster Newton, DT10

- Room, Allendale Centre, Hanham Road, Wimborne, BH21 1DQ;
- Monday, June 28th: The Pavillion, Bridport Leisure Centre, Brewery Fields, Bridport, DT6
- Monday, July 5th: Studio Room, Barrington Centre, Penny's Walk, Ferndown, Dorset, BH22 9TH;
- Monday, July 12th: Dorchester Town Football Club, Weymouth Avenue, Dorchester, DT1 2RY;
- Monday, August 9th: Village Hotel, Wessex Fields, Deansleigh Road, Bournemouth, BH7 7DZ.

Motorcyclists wishing to attend should turn up on the night from 6:45pm for a 7pm start and collect the application pack.

The practical sessions commence from the Winfrith Technology Centre, just outside the village of Wool. The dates are:

- Sunday, April 25th
- Sunday, May 9th
- Sunday, June 6th
- Sunday, June 13th
- Sunday, July 11th
- Sunday, August 15th
- Sunday, September 19th

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hirty years in the job and still hap

the past few years that have beset local shops with post offices attached, Martin Legg, owner of Morcombelake's Post Office, still has a cheery smile on his face and can also offer to ease your aches and pains.

Martin and his wife Gill celebrate 30 years of providing their service to the village and surrounding community today.

by Stuart Broom

Martin took over the business from Maureen Garrett on March 31st 1980, and soon built up the trade supplying everything a village shop should do for the residents of Morcombelake, Rvall and Whitchurch Canonicorum

He married Gill in 1993 and between them supplemented their income with a variety of jobs



CONGRATULATIONS: Martin and Gill who celebrate 30 years of businesss today (March 31st) outside their shop

window cleaning business but had to give it up through ill health,' said Martin.

"I then became quite interested in remedial and therapeutic massage, so studied for it and qualified in 2001. It has proved quite successful and business is good."

The government's determination to close down post offices has had a devastating effect on local communities and the drawn out saga as to which businesses would be closed has been a worry for the couple.

Fortunately Morcombelake was not one of those finally chosen for the axe but it was an anxious time waiting for the news.

"The worry of not knowing which ones were going to be closed has been huge. It went on for several years with axing different services of the business and offering alternative ways such as through the internet; it has been a very stressful time," Martin said.

To some people owning a village store and PO is seen as the ideal retirement job, but they both work long hours.

Martin still delivers papers around the area, and is up at 5am to take delivery of milk and bread and put the papers up for his round.

He travels around 100 miles a week delivering the papers as well as the additional groceries that people have forgotten.

"I estimate I have done around

I might not be the oldest paperboy in the world, but I expect I am one of the most travelled.'

Martin is also quick to dispel the myth that everything is cheaper in the supermarkets.

"You would be surprised at how expensive some things are in the supermarket, and that you can actually buy it cheaper in our shop.

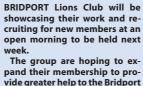
"Yes, they all use loss leaders to get people in the shop, but you'd be surprised how expensive some quently are - they, like us, have to make a profit.

Martin is full of praise for Gill and all the work she does: "We are often working doing something, whether it is placing orders with the wholesaler or doing the accounts long after the shop has closed and, of course, I couldn't do it without the help of Gill - we are a team.

"We both enjoy the job despite the hours. We have made a lot of years some of those friends have helped us with our business, which has enabled us to take the occasional break to recharge our batter-

So remember the next time you are driving through Morcombelake and need a book of stamps or a massage, stop at their shop.

I can vouch for his massage; it did wonders for my feet!



vide greater help to the Bridport community and beyond.

During the open morning current group members will be highlighting their recent work following the Haiti earthquake disaster.

Also hoping to attend will be the club's mascot, pictured right, who will be encouraging visitors to sign up and help.

The open morning will be held at the West Bay Salt House on Sunday, April 11th from 9:30am to 12:30pm. If you cannot make the event but would like to help then contact Don Morley on 01308 488468.





Girls get funding by telling it as it is!

sively in the View From, a new project designed to help young people realise their training and employment aspirations has made an immediate im-

ASPIRE was introduced as a 20-week pilot project by BLAST (Bridport Local Area Skills Training) just six weeks

Through the hard work of co-ordinator Charlotte Storey, and with outstanding support from by Stuart Broom

colleagues from Nacro, was that some of the YOU Trust (West Rivers young people were asking what will happen to House) and Connexions, this initiative has already Charlotte after the 20 begun to make a differweeks - they even ofence to the lives of some fered to write a funding of the most disadvanbid to raise money to taged young people in keep her; a pretty clear the area message. As BLAST manage-

Kayes, said in our previ-

the impact she's made

The message was clear ment team member, Ros enough, it seems, for in no time at all they have ous article (March 10th): succeeded in raising the "I guess an indication of money required.

"They were brilliant, absolutely brilliant," said BLAST chair, Arthur

an application to the administered by young people under the guidance of Dorset County but when the forms came the following day."

Undeterred, 16-yeartwo and a half hour funding workshop.

how much they'd enjoyed it, and that they'd

Youth Opportunity Fund, Council's youth service, through, the deadline was

old Jade Tattershall and 17-year-old Kelly Turner worked with Arthur on a

'After they told me like to do more of the

Choir set to be concert highlight

THE Casterbridge Male Voice Choir will be the highlight of a concert in aid of the Dorset ME Support

The choir will be joined by female soloist Anna-Maria Geare to sing "Music for a Spring Evening" Also on the night will be music from violinist Emily

McFarlane and cellist Sylvia Barry. The concert will be held in St Mary's Church on

Wednesday, April 21st at 7:30pm.

Tickets are available from Bridport Music in South Street, £6 in advance or £7 on the door, to include wine and canapés. For further information contact Sue Ticehurst on 01297 33158.

Just over a week later Jade phoned Arthur shouting: "I've done it. I've done it."

What she and Kelly had done was tell the youth service the way it was; "Charlotte's kicked us up the backside and got us doing things we would never have thought of doing!" Arthur said.

They certainly con vinced the fund's administrators, because they were awarded the entire amount they had asked for - £8,700, which, with the funding already raised by BLAST from the West Dorset Community Fund and the West Dorset Partnership, will be enough to keep Charlotte employed for a

Charlotte herself was immensely touched by their strong gesture of support: "These young people continually impress me with their initiative and evident desire for change. To take the time and effort to apply for a grant and then to secure funding for the full amount in a recession is so impressive. With their

they would be an incredible asset to any company; I'm hoping local businesses can see that. To have a chance to continue to work with them is a real honour."

For more information about ASPIRE and/or BLAST, contact Arthur Woodgate on 01305

Drama as Young Farmers reach national competition final

MARSHWOOD Young Farmers' Club have won their way through to the final of the National Federation of Young Farmers' Clubs drama competition.

Their production of 'Guess Who's Coming To Tea?' impressed the judges at the southern finals held at The Playhouse, Weston-super-Mare, on Saturday and they now go forward to the national final on Sunday, April 25th at the Princess Theatre, Torquay,

Having won the Dorset regional final held in Bridport, they progressed to the South West eliminator in Torquay where they were runners-up and qualified for the southern final.

It is thought that it is the first time that a Dorset club has reached the final where they will meet the winners of the north and Wales areas for the na-

The competition involves each club performing a play of their choice which has to run for a mini-

mum of 20 minutes. Each club has a total of one hour which includes setting up and clearing the scenery, all of which have been made by the club members, as are any props. The costumes are the only items which they are allowed to hire.

Directed by MVFC member Kevin Goodfellow, who is the president's husband, the three act comedy by Sandy Taylor involved fifteen characters on stage and six backstage hands.

In addition to winning the overall competition, Ed Rabbetts made it a hat trick when he was voted best actor, having also won the title at the other two eliminating competitions.

It is hoped that local people will be able to see their production once the final is out of the way, when they plan to perform it at Salway Ash Village



■ THANKS FOR THE JOB: Co-ordinator Charlotte Storey (left) with Jade Tattershall who, with Kelly Turner, raised funding to extend Charlotte's contract

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New fish ladder project finally gets underway

by Stuart Broom

A 12 YEAR campaign to improve the opportunity for migrating sea fish to spawn in two of Bridport's rivers has finally been successful with the installation of a fish ladder at Jessop's Weir.

The ladder, the first of a number to be built on the rivers Asker and Brit, has been the wish of the Friends of Rivers Trust and in particular Captain John Hughes, but whilst it has been on the government's environment agency list of projects it has only been possible because of a recent EU directive that funds have been made available for work to start.

Unfortunately Captain Hughes would never see the result of his campaigning as he died last summer.

Previously it was difficult for fish to negotiate the Crump Weir design near Jessop's Avenue off Sea Road North, Bridport; restricting the number of migrating sea fish, particularly salmon and trout, to get upstream to spawn.

With species of salmon and eels under threat it is hoped that this scheme will help to increase the number of fish.

The project which is expected to include other areas on the two rivers involved the introduction of 8" (200mm) baffles (or steps) down the flat slope of one side of the weir which is 15 metres long and drops around two metres from top to bottom.

Slots on the baffles are staggered across the width or face of the river.

Project leader Roger

Project leader Roger Genge, Environment Agency technical officer for the Fisheries Recreation and Biodiversity Group said: "We have been working with the Friends of Rivers Trust on this project but it hadn't been possible to start before because there was no funding.

"However a new European Water Framework Directive which came into force in 2000 meant that we were finally able to start planning some of this work which has taken the Environment Agency up to four years to plan.

"The object is to recreate a fish passage for migrating sea fish, mainly sea trout and salmon, along the Brit/Askers

catchmen

"The staggered slots form a zig-zag formation under which each baffle creates a vortex or wall of water 8-10" (200-250mm) deep which the fish swim up."

An eel pass has been built on the slope of the other side of the weir. This involves a system of large and small bristles to allow both adult eels and elvers to swim upstream by weaving in and out of the bristles, much like driving a car along a line of cones.

Mr Genge added: "Both salmon and eel numbers have dropped considerably and both fish are under threat, so this hopefully will help increase their chances here in Bridport."

The work was carried out by engineers from the Environment Agency depot in Blandford and was completed in 10 days.

Roger Guppy for the Friends of River Trust, who has been on site

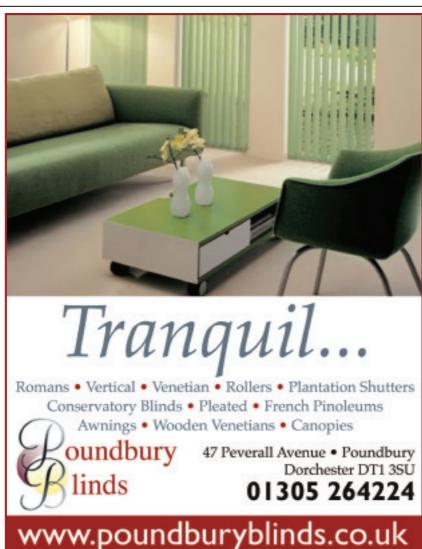


■ GOOD JOB: Roger Genge from the Environment Agency (left) and Roger Guppy from Friends of River Trust in front of the fish ladder after completion

watching the work for a lot of the time, said: "It is great to see our idea come to fruition, and at last we have what is the first stage of the project completed. "We are extremely grateful to the Environment Agency for their cooperation and I have been extremely impressed by the standard of the engineers work

and the result. It is just a pity that Captain Hughes is not around to see it.

"Hopefully we will see a lot more fish being able to get upstream to spawn in the future."





Payne jug stirs family history

OUR recent story with regards to the auction of a rare jug with connections to the Payne family in Chideock has led to a call from Tony Payne who claims, with his sons, to be the last direct descendent carrying the family name.

Tony contacted the *View From* after reading our story about the jug which was sold recently at Duke's Auctioneers in Dorchester, and whilst unable to throw any light on Sarah Payne's lineage was able to build a picture of the family.



Payne who believes he and his two sons are the only direct descendents of the Payne family

by Stuart Broom

The inscription on the jug referred to a Sarah Payne, the date December 6th, 1813 and Chideock, Dorset, and is believed to have been made in Sunderland.

Tony (79) lives at Trinity Hill, Axminster and is descended from one of Sarah's four brothers, William, who is his great grandfather. She had three other brothers, John, Hugh and Richard.

William had a son Charles who by coincidence married Clara, a widow, who had been married to a man also by the name of Payne, and they had two sons Arthur (Tony's dad) and Albert.

Arthur in turn married Marjorie and they produced a son, Tony and his sister Rhoda.

"My grandfather Charles farmed Hell Farm in North Chideock on the Weld estate. They lived in a cottage in Ruin's Lane off Main Street with my father (Arthur) and Albert."

The house is still in the family which is now owned by Rhoda.

"Apparently my father and Albert were known as the 'Payne's from Hell' because they were always at the farm!

My father went to Chideock school and received medals for never having missed a whole day through illness or being late – something he was very proud of. He left school at 14 and by the time he was 18-years-old was manager of Bradfords, which stood on the site of what will soon be Lidl's in St Andrew's Road, next to the railway station.

"Just before being promoted he was called up for the last few months of World War I, but returned, was made manager and worked there for 40 years. He died in 1978 aged 78.

"I was born in Victoria Grove, Bridport, but we moved to a house in Burton Road when I was quite young," said Tony.

My sister Rhoda (Cowley) who is six years younger than me, still lives in the house."

Tony moved to Trinity Hill with his wife of almost 50 years, Heather, two years ago; they celebrate their Golden Wedding anniversary on August 8th.

For many years he was sports director at Thames Valley University. A talented footballer, he gave it up part way through a three year teaching job in Jamaica to play hockey, and represented the country during his time on the island.

They have a daughter and two sons who will carry the family name forward.

Besides Tony we have also heard from Mary Payne, who with her late husband Peter ran a photography business. They were well known around Bridport and West Dorset from the 1960s until Peter's death in 1991, particularly as press photographers for the local newspapers.

She was able to tell us that her husband Peter is descended from Richard, another of Sarah's brothers. He had a son also called Richard who had four children, Florence, Elsie, Frances and another Richard, who was Peter's father. Peter also had two sisters, Joan, now dead, and Eileen Raymond who is still alive and living in Charmouth.

Elsie had a son, Dick Shute, who in turn had three children who are still living.

Finally many of our readers will for sure remember Dorothy Payne and her daughter Diana (Di) who married Reg Clapp.

Dorothy (nee Christmas) married

Albert Payne and used to work at Gundry's as it was then, now Am-Safe Bridport. She also taught shorthand to many budding secretaries in the area.

Di was secretary to one of the Gundry's directors Len Parker in the 60s and early 70s (Len was also chairman of Bridport Football Club), and like her mother worked at the company for all her working

Politics, Italian and philosophy could be on the way to U3A

POLITICS, Philosophy and Italian Conversation are next on the wish list for members of the recently formed Bridport & District U3A.

U3A, also known as the University of the Third Age, aims to provide creative outlets for its members who have passed the first two stages of life in education and parenthood. Since its launch in January the group's membership has now reached 125 with 21 groups already established, ranging from bird

watching, maths for fun and meditation to the world of Jane Austen.

Vice-Chair Jenny Malyon-Roberts appealed at the monthly meeting last Tuesday for volunteers to lead the groups.

If you can help or want to find out more about the interest groups, contact Lesley Archibald on 01308 456079.

For information on how to join U3A, contact Diana Coleridge on 01308 424431.

Speaker at the March meeting was Professor Patric Morrissey, who was a senior lecturer in Art and the History of Architecture at

Bournemouth University. Professor Philip Howse will give a talk on the Death's Head Hawkmoth at the next meeting on Tuesday April, 27th at 2pm in the Christian Fellowship Hall.

Rotary hold ladies night

THE Rotary Club of Bridport held their President's Ladies Night at Highlands End on Friday, March 19th.

President Dean Baksh and his lady Vivian would like to congratulate the chefs and staff of Highlands End for an excellent meal and service which was followed by dancing, and all the club Rotarians, their ladies, and distinguished guests for making the evening such a wonderful occasion.

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port would like to thank St John's Church of West Bay and the St Swithun's Band for their generous donation of £500 in aid of the Shelterbox appeal.

by a great musical evening held at the church on Monday, March 22nd by the band

The organisers of this event would like to thank many ways and all the people who came to support such an enjoyable evening of entertainment.

ALF WAY The Rotary Club of Bridport

Art society membership numbers still climbing

highest it has been for several years following another successful year, reported honorary chairman Roland Chalu at the club's 53rd AGM held at the St Johns Ambulance Hall,

He confirmed that the membership figure was still on the rise and currently stood at 148 - the highest for several years - and also outlined the healthy state of the club's finances.

Members packed the hall to be welcomed by the president, Clive Groves, who thanked all officers and members of the committee for their work during the year.

He reported that, yet again, it has been a most successful year for the society with the usual programme of evening demonstrations. day workshops and three exhibitions at Brid-

As is traditional, the Marlow Competition was held - this year a work inspired by Shakespeare - and was judged by Lindsay Brooks, Director of the Bridport Arts Centre. After refreshments, a lively auction of art materials raised £145.

The next demonstration is 'Abstract in Acrylic' by Janet White at 7:30pm on April 22nd and all members and their guests are welcome. In the meantime the first of this year's exhibitions is due to take place at The Salt House, West Bay from Good Friday, April 2nd until Easter Monday, April 5th and all members are hoping to repeat the success of last year's bumper attendance.

If you would like to join the Society, please contact the Secretary on 01308 459822

Rotary club pass Woolies reborn as Spar

building, which has stood empty on Bridport's high street for over a year, was reopened as a Spar Store last week.

Woolworths closed its doors on January 6th 2009 and has remained empty ever since.

After an issue with the electrical supply initially stalled plans, Appleby Westward, the regional distribution company for SPAR convenience stores in the South West, completed the lease on the building in Novem-

Mayor Martin Ray opened the new store on Friday morning of last week, in front of a large crowd of shoppers who were eagerly waiting to get inside.

Mayor Martin Ray said: "I'm pleased the shop's open because when it was boarded up as Woolworths it was scruffy and people were using it for fly posting.

"I hope this will attract more people into the town so they can use the good

excellent.

"Wherever people park they have got to walk past several local shops to get to this place so I hope those shops benefit. I hope this will be good for business for everyone."

Paul Asensio, head of retail stores for Appleby Westward said: "We have created a colourful and vibrant store to meet the needs of Bridport shoppers. We believe we have created something special for customers, aimed at making the whole shopping experience fun."

As well as a full range of convenience grocery products, the store will incorporate chilled meat, a wide range of chilled beers, wines and spirits, a fresh fruit and vegetable island and a foodto-go section including seating and a breakfast bar area at the front of the store.

There will be a fresh coffee offer, hot food ready to go and a selection of cakes, pastries and sandwiches.

John Pattison, managing

director of Appleby Westward, added: "We have been looking for an opportunity right across the South West.

"Bridport is a good opportunity; the site is on a busy thoroughfare with loads of traffic around so it is excellent for us.

"There is a good local econ-

and we want to compliment that: we are not here to steal anybody's business.

"We would hope that we add footfall to this part of town and that everybody benefits, we are not here to be detrimental to independent traders at all."



GRAND OPENING: Store manager Ervyn Lavendar, Mayor Martin Ray, Mayoress Maggie Ray and managing director of Appleby Westward, John Pattison



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Japanese exchange still flourishing

NOW IN its thirteenth year, Bridport's Japanese Exchange programme with their partners, the Koyamadai Educational Foundation of Tokyo, continues to flourish.

Last summer saw six youngsters from Japan living with their partners and their families in Bridport. This year, six young people from Bridport, led by local councillor and youth worker, Phil Lathey, will be received into the homes of their friends in Tokyo for a three week stay.

"We have a way to go yet with our fund-raising," commented the exchange's founder and coordinator, Arthur Woodgate.

"Young people coming on to the programme commit to a two year programme, in which raising the funding to make it all possible is a major feature.

"Of course it also serves to bind the group closely; quite useful when you'll be travelling half-way round the world together."

With Mr Woodgate's retirement from the County Youth Service, the exchange programme is now organised through an independent new group, Bridport Koyamadai, which comes under the umbrella of registered charity BYPAT (Bridport Young Persons Action Trust), initiated by Mr Woodgate over sixteen years ago.

"The youth service has been very understanding and supportive," said Mr Woodgate.

"It's recognised that international exchanges like this are usually the first things to disappear when there's a change of personnel.

"They are largely based on personal contacts and, frankly, a great deal of work is needed to keep things going. Nobody, least of all me, was prepared to see this end; it's meant too much to too many people.

"So Bridport Koyamadai was formed, much to the delight of our friends in Tokyo," added Mr Woodgate.

In addition to Mr Lathey, who has previously led two groups to Japan, the new organisation includes Debbie Gale, who has also led a group, Andrew "Tosh" Blake, who was a member of a group several years ago, and Zoe Bevis, member of a group not so many years ago. There are also two parent representatives, Josie Beaton and Jo Rider-Dobson.

Mr Woodgate praised parents for their excellent support of the programme and confirmed that Andrew Blake, youth worker and now Dorset County Council's youth librarian, would be leading the 2011-12 programme.

2011-12 programme.
"Unusually," he explained, "we have already had a number of applicants for the next programme. We think this is partly because of the high profile we enjoyed last summer, when we introduced the Hiroshima Commemorative event (to be held next in August 2011, when members of the community will be invited to join in), and were also able to take part in the carnival and torchlight procession, which the Japanese absolutely loved."

An intensive fund-raising programme is now underway, with the group bag packing at the Co-op on Saturday, April 3rd.

They will also be doing facepainting and running their popular coconut shy at various events, including the Charter Fair on Saturday, July 3rd.

Roller discos at the youth centre will also continue, with dates to be advertised through local schools.

Although there have been a number of applications for the 2011-12 programme, there are still places available.

For further details, write to Arthur Woodgate at 27 Coneygar Close, Bridport, DT6 3AR with your details, or phone 01308 423767



URESHII: Daisy Guy and Kai Haruna enjoying the torchlight procession

Racketball showcase coming to the Bridport Leisure Centre

TWO of the countries leading players will be showcasing the UK's fastest growing racket sport at Bridport Leisure Centre next month.

The centre will be holding an open evening to showcase the sport of racketball rounded off by a spectacular exhibition game between experienced players Matt Baker

and Gavin Perrett.

Event organiser, Clive Whaley, from the Bridport Squash and Racketball Club said: "Racketball is becoming

"Racketball is becoming very popular for three reasons: it's easy to play, it's good for fitness and it's great fun.

"It's played on a squash court but it has a bigger and more bouncy ball larger racket head – both these factors make it easier and less explosive than squash."

The open evening will start at 7pm on Tuesday, April 13th with a rules explanation, followed by the chance for anyone to have a go under the guidance of experienced coaches.

Entry to the event is free and all ages and abilities are encouraged to attend and have a go or just watch the demonstrations.

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MP fears cider tax will hit Dorset businesses

A HUGE 10 per cent tax increase on West Country favourite cider has been dubbed "misjudged" by West Dorset MP Oliver Letwin who fears that the rise could have a negative affect on Dorset businesses.

Chancellor of the Exchequer Alistair Darling claimed the increase was to bring cider in line with wine, beer and spirits, who only suffered a one per cent tax increase, but it has also been suggested that the increase in cider duty would reduce the number of people abusing high-strength alcoholic drinks.

West Dorset MP Oliver Letwin feels that the tax is unfair on cider makers and apple growers across the county

the county.

He said: "I don't think it is very well judged.
There does need to be a rise in duty for super strength ciders used in binge drinking but this version that the chancellor has come up with also clobbers the perfectly ordinary ciders which are not used for binge drinking.

"The problem is if you don't distinguish you are unlikely to have an affect on binge drinking because people will just simply pay a little bit more.

"What we want to do is to tilt people in the direction of the lower strength ciders

"I think this will particularly affect the specialist local producers around the West Country and also the local apple growers who supply the cider makers."

The Stable Cider House in Bridport is home to 46 types of cider and owner Richard Cooper has vowed not to put his prices up despite the tax hike.

"We feel that it's a very important product for the whole of the West Country and the Stable is what we regard as a cathedral of cider.

"We are going to take it on the chin and not pass that added cost onto the customer because we value our suppliers and the great work that they do and we don't want this to interfere with the great job that they do.

"We have always known there is going to be a catch up situation because cider has been lacking behind wine and beer so it doesn't come as a massive surprise but it is a massive increase in comparison, more than

anybody expected.
"I think there are deeper and bigger social problems around underage and binge drinking and we as a business never offer drink deals in general.

"The lion's share of the problem actually comes from people buying at off licences and drinking at home and so to penalise the license trade I think is very unfair."

Penny Whatmoor of the Mill House Cider Museum in Dorchester is concerned about the effect the tax increase may have.

"I do find the large increase in duty disappointing. I feel it is an easy target for the government to raise revenue," she said. "A lot of the ciders we retail are made by very small producers that are not affected by duty, but we will have to pass on the price increase from our bigger suppliers.

"In the last few years cider has become a much more mainstream and fashionable drink, with a huge range of interesting varieties that appeal to people from all walks of life and all ages.

"It is all these people who will be affected by the increase, not just the very small minority who will binge on any type of alcohol, whether cider, lager, vodka, or anything else.

"I very much hope that the popularity of cider will not be too affected."

Since the announcement last Wednesday, a "Leave our cider alone" Facebook campaign group has already attracted 50,000 supporters.

• A SEPARATE campaign is also running to get West Country music legends The Wurzels to number one with their hit "I Am A Cider Drinker".

Crimestoppers poster success

DORSET Crimestoppers is encouraging people to report crimes anonymously after a recent campaign led to arrests in Weymouth.

Dorset Police worked with Dorset Crimestoppers to create and distribute posters across Weymouth and Portland encouraging the public to anonymously report any information that they might have about drug dealers – particularly heroin dealers – in the area. The posters sparked several public calls to Crimestoppers, leading to two arrests relating to alleged drug dealing in Weymouth.

The public can contact Crimestoppers anonymously, free of charge on 0800 555111 or visit their website at www.crimestoppers-uk.org

Dorset holiday parks to ask: 'How did we do?'

HOLIDAYMAKERS to Dorset will have the chance to pass judgement on the holiday parks they visit this year thanks to a national appraisal scheme set up with the help of a Bridport park owner.

Martin Cox of Highlands End Holiday Park is chairman of the working party set up to develop the scheme by the park industry's body BH&HPA (British Holiday & Home Parks Association).

Special feedback questionnaires appearing on park websites and in print will allow guests to rate their stay, and to say what they felt about the standards on offer.

Their views - on everything from park lighting to the quality of the pool - will be used to help create a national blueprint for the perfect park holiday experience.

Martin said: "Holiday parks are very important to the economy of rural and coastal areas such as Dorset, and the scheme's aim is to give parks a better focus on what their customer's value most," he commented.

"I hope that Dorset park owners and managers will help lead the way by adopting the scheme as it is ultimately their businesses and the region as a whole which will benefit," he added. As well as being able to see how they measure up against UK averages, Dorset parks will be able to pick up on their own guests' special likes and dislikes.

Martin says that BH&HPA, of which he is a former national chairman, predicts that around 80 million nights will be spent on holiday parks in 2010.

The year-on-year increase in numbers, he believes, suggests that the industry is measuring up to consumers' expectations, but he hopes that the new feedback system will allow parks to fine-tune their product for the guests they attract, and to remedy anything which guests feel needs attention

Completing the form should take no more than ten minutes, and guests will be able to opt-in to a £1,000 cash draw which will take place later this year.

The survey can be completed anonymously, but there is an opportunity for holidaymakers to provide contact details if they would like a response from the park to their comments.

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SHIPTON GORGE

THE annual election for positions on the parochial church council for St Martin's was taken last week during a meeting at the village hall.

All eight members were re-elected into the positions with Gillian Maxfield staying as church wardens, Vicky Thomas as vice chair and James Webster as the ex-officio.

A team of volunteers willing to fly the flag on St Martin's church on the appropriate days is being sought. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer please contact Gillian on 01308 897346.

Morning Prayer will be held on Maundy Thursday, April 1st at 11am and the Litany will be read at 11am on Good Friday, April 2nd. Everyone is welcome to join in on these two short services.

On Easter Sunday, the Communion will be held at 11am.

Parishioners are also warned of the uneven ground around Church

Hill, with notices erected.

The ground becomes very soft and easily churnable after rain.

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PUNCKNOWLE

ANYONE wishing to help decorate or contribute flowers and greenery to the church for Easter, are being welcomed on Saturday, April 3rd from 10am. Bunches of primroses for the chancel arch would also be appreciated.

The village carol singing raised £208. Half went to Alarbé's Charis House in Weymouth, which provides supported living for homeless men.

Lucie Trollope, who received the other half said a big thank you to all the citizens of Puncknowle who gave donations to the carol singers who braved the cold for two nights in December.

The £104 will go toward her forthcoming trip to India with GirlGuiding UK to work with children in poor communities.

Home Watch will be holding their half yearly meeting in the village hall on Thursday, April 15th at 7:30pm to provide villagers the chance to meet co-ordinators and discuss local security.

LITTON CHENEY

THE annual church meeting will decide the membership of the parochial church council for St Mary's.

The meeting will be held at the church on Wednesday, April 7th at 7:30pm.

Plans include new access, a WC, ground floor kitchen facility, and a new meeting room/store and location for the clock on a new mezzanine floor above.

Donations will be gratefully received by treasurer, Brian Prentice, who can be contacted on 482535 if you are able to Gift Aid. **BURTON BRADSTOCK**



■ PUPILS from Burton Bradstock School stepped back in time with rationed food, gas masks and a VE Day party to experience what life was like as an evacuee in World War II.

The history enthusiasts from class three swapped their textbooks and classroom for a fun packed morning at the Hive Beach Café, Burton Bradstock where they made biscuits with the Hive chefs using grated carrots following a war time ration recipe, explored the contents of some WWII handling boxes supplied by the Bovington Tank Museum, did a war themed wordsearch and made traditional paper hats to wear at the VE style tea party.

Highlight of the day was undoubtedly the arrival of an original wartime Jeep supplied by Poppy Butcher from the Military Vehicle Trust in Weymouth. The event was organised by the National Trust working in partnership with the Hive Beach Café. Some of the children are pictured above in the wartime Jeep.

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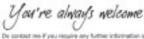
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2. Does the company carry insurance?

Workers compensation and liability insurance to be specific. If a worker is hurt and the roofing contractor does not have insurance the homeowner is liable. Ask to have current certificates sent to you. Do not accept the roofing contractor at their word. They may carry health, life and car insurance. Bland assurances of insurance coverage may refer to these. (Does your roofer's insurance cover him if he is not qualified)?

3. What is the company's workmanship warranty?

Some warranties are for one year, some are longer. The length of a roofing contractors warranty is not really as important as customer referrals. Most manship errors will be found within the first year, probably the first good storm. The reason this question is important is most roofing contractors will warranty the workmanship, and the manufacturer will warranty the product as long as it is installed correctly. Make

sure you understand warranties.

4. Does your roofer carry out risk assessments and method statements for each job by a qualified site supervisor? What is a risk assessment?

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- C. Evaluate the risk and decide on precautions
- D. Record your findings and record them
- E. Review your assessment and update if necessary
- **5. Is your roofer trained to work at heights?**Does your roofer have an NVQ or are trained/ap-

proved in the job to be carried out?

How do I choose a roofing contractor?

One of the best places to start looking is in the NFRC (National Federation of Roofing Contractors) Directory, which lists proven property professionals from all over the UK. Always make sure the roofing contractor you hire is registered.

Weeding out the cowboys, or how to spot a dishonest contractor

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What to look out for

•Commonly used 'sales pitches': Anything that sounds too good to be true usually is. Be especially aware of very low initial estimates

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AVING finally had enough of had enough conferences, promotions and product launches Marianna decided to change her lifestyle with a move to the West Dorset coast.

Despite enjoying her time in London it soon became apparent to Marianna that her new lifestyle wouldn't work with her city career.

"As an events organiser work was very stressful because you have to rely on so many other people to pull everything together," she said.

"I loved it and I miss it occasionally but I don't miss the lifestyle. I don't think you could be that hectic and do that sort of work and still live in Bridport because this place sort of encourages you to chill a little bit."

In search of a new career that she could fit in

MARIANNA BROWNING is living proof that the old adage "If you can't stand the heat, get out of the kitchen" is not true.

After 12 hectic years as an events organiser in the big smoke of London, Marianna decided she couldn't stand the heat any longer and made the move to Bridport

Far from staying out of the kitchen Marianna set up her business "Scoff" and now provides cakes for all manner of events. Here she tells TOM GLOVER her story.

around raising her two not allowed to eat. young girls Marianna decided upon "Scoff", a business that daughters May and Daisy definitely approve of.

Marianna said: "The best part of my job is the flexibility, I get to be a mum as much as I want to be. It's massively flexible which is the nirvana of work that everybody strives for.

"The kids are so over excited everyday because there are cakes all over the place, which they are

"At the moment the girls just want to eat it, they don't actually understand the concept of actually making something with ingredients and then getting an end product. It's more about how much they can get into their mouth.'

Although her girls are much more interested in eating cakes rather than baking them, for the time being, she is very keen that they develop a good foundation in cooking.

"I remember cooking with my mum. She was at home everyday and she cooked and cooked and cooked. That was my memory of her, putting family meals on the table. She didn't bake a great deal but cooking was huge and we learnt to cook meals for ourselves at a very young age, certainly much younger than health and safety would feel was appropriate," she joked.

Whether my girls show an interest or an aptitude I don't know, but even as a basic skill, cooking is something I think they should have.

"I do think in this day and age being able to make a nutritious meal is one of the basic core skills everybody should have and unfortunately not everybody does have it. At least if my children have it I'll feel I've achieved something.

"I don't buy any pre packed food. In the main it is things I've made from scratch, it's healthier, it has less salt, less fat, it tastes twice as good and it means they know what real food tastes like. If they're very good they might get a cupcake when they come home school."

Having decided upon her business Marianna soon found her first, and most loyal client, Steve Attrill of The Hive Beach Café in Burton Bradstock

Eighteen-months down the line Marianna still provides cakes to the café and her popularity has seen her build up a list of private clients.

"The business is developing slowly and we need to keep it under control because I don't want to put in so much time that I don't have time for my children," she said.

"It's work and a hobby all rolled into one and it is something that when the girls are older I can step up, which I quite intend to do and use the foundation I have got to make a proper business out of it.

Marianna is currently in the process of moving house from which she hopes to offer cookery courses in the future. When her children are a bit older Marianna hopes to start running small cookery courses offering casual chefs advice on cooking for children, low fat food and food for entertaining other topics.

At first adapting to country life was a little difficult for Marianna but she is now more than happy to be living life on Bridport time.

"It took some adjustment but in a really nice way. It was a nice lesson to learn that life doesn't have to be lived at that sort of pace, with your blinkers on. You can actually stop and enjoy it and make a life for yourself and that is what it's all about," she said.

"I don't miss city life at all, I haven't been back since and I have no intention of going back. I'd rather go to the beach than go to London.

"I'm really glad I had that time because it's made me appreciate what I have here and I think I might have been restless not knowing what else was available so I think it all happened at the right time.

A childhood spent cooking with her mum

in the kitchen almost definitely laid the foundations for Marianna's career, but that is a nostalgic memory that she would like to keep in the

Her mum still lives in Kent but with a flat in Bridport where she may one day move to cast an eye over her daughter's work.

"I think she is raising her eyebrows in astonishment that I can make a living out of cooking cakes, she thinks it is just utterly bizarre that it is something that someone can make a living out of and fairly bizarre that I would want to do it," she said.

"Luckily for me she is not as sprightly as she was 10-years-ago so she won't be taking over in the kitchen but she might come and knit in the corner and offer me advice

"I think she'd like to be involved but probably just coming in and having a taste and then taking cakes out to the girls and pretending she made



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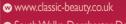


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Budding models shooting for the stars

modelling competition organised to money for a children's charity Get Kids Going! saw a stream of potential wannabees stop by at Ian Radford's mobile Natural Focus Photography studio in South Street, Dorchester last weekend.

lan's idea is to raise money for the charity that helps disabled children and young people up to the age of 26years-old to participate in sport, is this is just one of a number of events that he is organising in a bid to raise £6000 by the end of July to buy two wheelchairs.

The ladies received a makeover from Medusa Apothecary before being photographed.

This week lan will choose a male and female model who will win a photo shoot session at his studio, with the lucky lady also receiving a makeover before the shoot.





▲ Mitch Williams of Natural Focus Photography has Tom Prior in her sights



▲ Sarah Flewett receives her makeover from Danielle De-Bear of Medusa Apothe cary prior to being photographed

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Monstrous Easter fun!

nosaurs, and is a treat, especially for children. The museum combines life-sized reconstructions of dinosaurs with fossils and skeletons to create an exciting hands-on experience. Multimedia displays tell the story of the giant prehistoric animals and their enthralling world millions of years ago.

The Great Easter Dinosaur Egg Hunt is the Easter Egg Hunt with a difference and is held at the Dinosaur Mu-seum tall over the Easter weekend. The Great Dinosaur Easter Egg Hunt involves children in actually hunting throughout the museum to spot the dinosaur eggs on display. As well as this, children have to discover the answers to various clues in the Dinosaur Mystery.

Dinosaurs reproduced by laying eggs in nests on the ground. Dinosaur eggs have been found all over the world although discoveries of dinosaur eggs in England are rare. However, the Dinosaur Museum, in Dorchester, has several superb dinosaur eggs on display from other parts of the world.



The Great Dinosaur Egg Hunt is from Good Friday 2nd April to Bank Holiday Easter Monday 5th April at the Dinosaur Museum, in Dorchester. It's monster fun for all the family whatever the weather. There are prizes for all participating children. The Dinosaur Museum is open daily from 9.30 to 5.30. For further information phone 01305 269880 or visit www.thedinosaurmuseum.com

Easter holiday family days out

not join in with one of the popular family workshops at Dorset County Museum? On Wednesday 7 April, artist Peter Ursem, whose work is featured in the current exhibition Dorset Footprint, will be running an imaginative drawing and painting workshop entitled Bumblebee Celebrates his Birthday. This will take place between 10 and 11.30 am and 2 and 3.30pm. On the following Wednesday (14 April) between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm, there will be a family printing activity using lino, potatoes, stamps and screens. All are welcome and each activity costs just £3 per child.

On 23 April (St George's Day) there will be a lively folk concert at the Museum featuring Fingerz 'N' Fretz. Made up of local musicians Jerry Bird and James Findlay, Fingerz 'N' Fretz are an established and very popular local folk duo. James has recently won further acclaim by winning the BBC's young folk musician of the year 2010 competition so this event promises to be very popular. Tickets cost just £7.50 and are available now from the Museum.

The current exhibition at Dorset County Museum which runs until 24 April is entitled Dorset Footprint. It showcases recent works by Dutch artist, Peter Ursem who has won wide acclaim for his distinctive woodcuts, lino cuts and woodengravings of the Dorset landscape. Sales of Peter's work are already going well so if you would like to acquire a beautiful piece of Dorset-related art, come along before 24 April. Entry is free.



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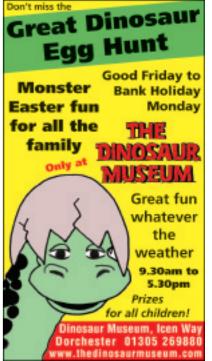


Friday 23 April at 7.30pm Fingerz 'N' Fretz

Jerry Bird and James Findlay with a special evening of English folk music to celebrate St George's Day. Tickets £7.50 from the Museum

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▲ Phil Gordon with Directors and representatives of BID Businesses (photo:mac@imagesphotography.tv)

hil Gordon, BID Project Director, and some of the Directors and representatives of BID businesses attended a successful Open Forum Meeting on Tuesday 2nd March. This was a chance to air views and consider ideas for implementing or adding to the projects being un-

There was a lengthy discussion of the topical issue of A boards and the BID plan to offer ladder boards as an alternative.

Amongst other ideas put forward were: getting Dorchester articles into foreign magazines particularly to capitalise on interest in Thomas Hardy, a major cycling event (TH would have approved!), support for Blue Badge guides, more hanging baskets and disabled friendly pedestri-

The Board will consider all ideas mentioned. If you were unable to attend and wish to add any please send them to Phil Gordon at philg@dorchesterdorset.co.uk

Open forum meeting What the Romans Did!

his is another family event taking place on May bank holiday weekend, 30th and 31st May, where you can all get creative at the Dorchester Roman Town House. Drop in between 10.30am to 5pm and make a mosaic and help make Roman costume jewellery. The Ancient Wessex Network will display art and craft inspired by the Romans and demonstrate their techniques using clay, metal and textiles.

If you are visiting on the bank holiday Monday, why not bring a picnic and take part in the National Family Week Picnic. Bring your picnic to the Roman Town House between 12.00 and 2.00pm and join in the World Record breaking attempt for the biggest picnic ever.

Please visit the Roman Town House website for more details on future events. The Roman Town House is open all year round

and admission is free. The Roman Town House is an ideal site for an educational visit. A guided tour and associated activities can be booked through the Dorset County Museum. Educational resources for use in the classroom are available through the Dorset County Schools Library Service. For a fee, an artefact box can be loaned, the box contains a range of small items reflecting life in a Roman Town House over the period that the Dorchester House was occupied.

Joining the Friends of the Roman Town House will give you a chance to take part in events, meet new friends and learn more about the site. Membership starts at £5.00 per vear for individuals and £10.00 for families.

Why not try a visit to the 360 degrees virtual tour of the Roman Town House to get an overview of this fantastic family attraction and be part of our Roman past. There are also many Roman finds to be found in the Dorset County Museum.

Combine your visit to the Dorchester Roman Town House with a trip around the town where you will find some great places to eat and shop.

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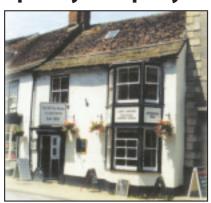




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They also found a copy of the Abbot's Bible with a 15th century cover over a 12th century manuscript, lodged up the main chimney.

Derek is a chef and prepares most of the food which he tries to source from local farms and producers in the country. All of the cakes and scones are baked fresh every morning, and they serve good, hearty breakfasts from 7.30am to 10.00am.

As well as the traditional 'cream teas' there is always homemade soup of the day, a wide selection of sandwiches and hot baguettes and a daily 'specials' board.

The building is also a favourite for paranormal investigators and is said to be one of the most haunted places in Eng-

Tea and history anyone?

mouth landed at Lyme Regis on the 11th June 1685 to challenge King James' claim to the throne following the death of Charles II. He assembled an army in excess of 3000 men and marched to Sedge moor in Somerset.

He was defeated by the King's army in less than a month. Around 1300 were taken prisoner. Five Judges came to Dorchester with the infamous Judge Jeffreys, whose reputation was

that of the 'hanging judge'. In September 1685, 312 cases were heard in the Oakroom at the rear of the Antelope Hotel; of these 292 were sentenced to death. Only 74 were executed, with 175 transported, 9 were fined or whipped and 54 were discharged.

Judge Jeffreys – having his eye on promotion – was later made Lord Chancellor. When King James fell and

William of Orange landed in Torbay, Jeffreys was captures and imprisoned in the Tower of London. He died in 1689 while awaiting trial, probably of natural causes. Rumours at the time said he has been poisoned while in the Tower and that his body had been returned to Dorchester and walled up in the Courtroom - now the

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Successful Open Day at Figure 8

its doors in Antelope Walk, Dorchester on 31st October

Keetch has not looked back since. The shop inside is beautifully laid clothing with the emphasis on the larger woman. There is a

igure 8 opened 2009, and owner Elaine out and stocks quality wonderful mix of different looks with something for everyone, including superb accessories among which are some stunning pieces of chunky jewellery. This is the kind of shop that you can walk into and not feel the slightest bit uncomfortable about being a larger size. From owning a bridal and evening wear shop in Wells, Elaine moved first to Yeovil and has now settled in the county town. She said: "I am very pleased with the way the first four

months in Dorchester have gone. This is a good town with a strong community in-

looking forward to the future of Figure 8 with a great deal of confidence." Elaine is aiming to increase her size range in August to include 12 - 30, with the emphasis on 18+. She also hopes to introduce her own label in September with clothing she will design herself. This will provide some unique outfits and enable Elaine to take full advantage of her training in fashion design.

Figure 8 held an open day at the weekend to invite customers both old and new to come and browse through her amazing clothes. With bucks fizz, wine, and cup cakes tempt-



▲ Make-up expert Claire Perry works her magic on model Justin Orwin

ing people through the door. Elaine and her staff were as welcoming as ever and incredibly helpful. Advice on shades and style comes as second nature. A photo shoot took place during the afternoon, with Elaine's very own model, Justin

Orwin, looking great in designs from her current range. The shop also offers make-overs to customers to give a whole new look and boost your confidence by Experimenting with different colours and clothing. This comes with the opportunity

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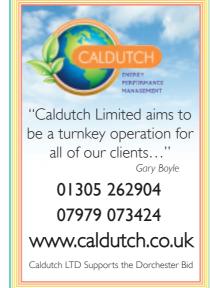
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View 2 Music How old is too old for the club scene?

LAST week I want clubbing; something I don't do all that often these days. Now approaching my mid-30s, most of my friends have better things to do (like bringing up their children, for starters) whilst even I'm usually more inclined to curl up with a hot chocolate and retire to bed rather than staving up to the small hours.

The last time I set foot in a club was June '09, when I found myself in Queenstown - New Zealand's number one party town and the world capital of extreme sports. This is a place strictly for "cool dudes," so quite what I was doing there I'm not sure!

I was the oldest person in this particular club - the name of which escapes me - by about ten years. I barely recognised a tune all evening and spent the night trying to work out why so many clubbers were sporting woolly ski hats when a) we were inside and b) it was boiling hot. I never did work that one out, but I did decide that this would be the last time I'd go clubbing. I'm just too old for it these days, I thought.

There might be a few of you out there – dare I say it – even older than me, that think going to clubs like Flares and Reflex (that specialise in playing tunes from the Seventies and Eighties respectively) still counts. Sorry, they don't; they're just too naff to be included as proper clubs!

Anyway, I digress. A month or so ago a mate of mine down in Southampton asked if I was up for catching a DJ set by Peter Hook. Now Hooky, as us Joy Division / New Order fans like to call him, has been more than busy since leaving the group back in 2006. Originally he said the band had split, but the rest of New Order carried on without him changing their name to Bad Lieutenant in the process (probably to keep Hooky's lawyers at bay).

First off, Hooky wrote a book on his adventures (but more misadventures) as co-owner of Manchester's legendary nightclub, The Haçienda, which was open from 1982 to 1997.

'How Not To Run A Club' is a fantastic read that anyone with the slightest interest in the "Madchester" / acid house scene won't be able to put down. It will also leave you even more gobsmacked on hearing the the news that since publishing said book, Hooky's only gone and opened another club - FAC251 The Factory - which is named after his old record label. Talk about not learning your lesson!

Peter has two bands on the go – The Light and supergroup Freebass (comprising solely of bass players) - and also has a forthcoming tour where he'll be giving a talk, followed by a Q&A session hosted by Howard

When he does have a spare five minutes – and that can't be very often Hooky can often be found DJing in nightclubs around the UK. An article on whether or not DJing really is an art form in itself can be saved for a rainy day (although I can assure you it is). But Hooky's set was no example of mind-blowing turntabling skills - it was all about giving the crowd what

By the time he hit the stage at The Soul Cellar in Southampton, most of the crowd (of a very mixed age group, I hasten to add... I wasn't the oldest - hoorah!) knew what they wanted to hear.

Hooky delivered, with every other track being a New Order or Joy Division number – with many a cool remix along the way – and plenty of great tunes by other artists along the way.

Proving Hooky bears no grudge to former band mate Bernard Sumner, he even played one of Barney's tunes that he recorded with The Chemical Brothers a few years back (although I didn't hear any Bad Lieutenant!).

I always thought being in a band playing your own songs to an audience that loves 'em must be the best job in the world. I still do. But just turning up with a couple of decks and a laptop – rather than a bunch of people and a load of instruments – playing your own tunes and your favourites by other artists? Well, that certainly doesn't sound a bad shout, does it?

For those purists who want to be impressed by cutting edge DJ skills when they go clubbing, I'd say it's not how you play it but what you play. Hooky's setlist was dancefloor heaven. And he's 54. Perhaps I'm not too old to go clubbing after all?

by James Coles



Harmonica Hero Wessex Military for the Halls

SATURDAY (April 3rd) sees the first in a series of concerts at Lyme Regis' Woodmead Halls, with blues harmonica maestro Paul Lamb and The Kingsnakes kicking off the series.

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The band have won countless awards and have been voted Top British Blues Band more times than any other. They breath sheer class and this show is a must for all blues fans!

The support will come from Mark Foxhall and Band.

Tickets for this incredible concert can be obtained from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre (telephone 01297 442138), or from Focus, 62 Broad Street, Lyme Regis. Alternatively you can get your tickets online at www.lymeregis.tv or www.woodmeadhalls.org.uk



Music Centre celebrates 25th anniversary

WEST Dorset Music Centre celebrated their 25th anniversary with a concert at beaminster school, involving members of the Orchestra, senior Wind Band, Boogie band and String band as well as former members and friends.

Solos on flute and clarinet were performed by Grace Dawson and Ella Horne.



Band Invites You



ANYONE who has been watching Sue Perkins attempting to breathe new life into the Dinnington Colliery Brass Band on BBC 2 on Monday nights will know how hard it is to keep voluntary wind bands afloat these days. Fortunately for the Bridport bands, they have all been very well supported by locals, tourists and the town council alike so are all thriving, much to the delight of players and audiences alike.

The Wessex Military Band is one local band that has done exceptionally well in the last two years. It has won several awards for best band, best marching display and most entertaining band of the various concerts it has performed in. It has travelled around Europe, having been booked to play at various tattoos and festivals. It has been honoured to have been conducted by two top conductors from the Army and Marines Band Services, including Chris Davies OBE, who has offered to return to rehearse and conduct the band again later in the year, and it has recently been invited to perform at the very popular Maltese Military Tattoo which takes place in October. Currently the band is rehearsing for its latest performance at Bridport Arts Centre on Sunday, April 11th April at 6pm, Box Office 01308 424204. Tickets £8, concessions £6.

The band would also like to invite new members to join this unique band, which guarantees travel, playing alongside professionals and a once in a lifetime experience no other bands can offer. Currently, owing to some of its members being busy with commitments in the British Army Band Service, it is looking for 1st and 3rd Clarinet, 1st cornet and piccolo players but welcomes enquires from other sections. Come along and speak to

members on the night, phone the band office answerphone on 01308 425010, or email them at wsxmilitaryband@btinternet.com
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Poetry for Pleasure

The Approach of Spring

They say that it will soon be spring With painted flowers and scented breeze, So joyfully the birds do sing.

Chiffchaffs will soon be on the wing, And blackbirds group in twos and threes: They say that it will soon be spring.

Sweet honeysuckle starts to cling While daffs attract the early bees; So joyfully the birds do sing.

The season's started with a swing. We welcome it upon our knees; They say that it will soon be spring.

We measure out the rows with string Then plant broad beans and sugar peas; So joyfully the birds do sing.

Old men their pints of bitter bring To sit and stare beneath the trees; They say that it will soon be spring, So joyfully the birds do sing.

That cheering poem came from Anne Kaye and we all hope she is right. Winter has lasted far too long this year. Easter arrives this week, with its happy story of the resurrection, and spring is here bringing the countryside back to life. It brings many of us back to life too: some are venturing into their gardens again, others maybe springcleaning indoors. I hope spring is putting a spring back into your step. As Henry Wadsworth Longfellow entreats us in his 'Psalm of Life', "let us then be up and doing, with a heart for any fate."

A Psalm of Life

Tell me not in mournful numbers, Life is but an empty dream! For the soul is dead that slumbers. And things are not what they seem.

Life is real! Life is earnest! And the grave is not its goal; Dust thou are, to dust thou returnest, Was not spoken of the soul.

Not enjoyment, and not sorrow, Is our destined end or way; But to act, that each tomorrow Find us farther than today

Art is long, and Time is fleeting, And our hearts, though stout and brave, Still, like muffled drums, are beating Funeral marches to the grave.

by Frank McGarry

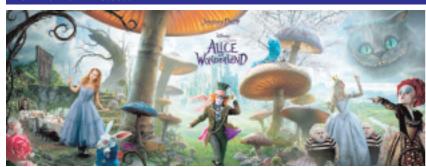
In the world's broad field of battle, In the bivouac of Life, Be not like dumb, driven cattle! Be a hero in the strife!

Trust no Future, howe'er pleasant! Let the dead Past bury its dead! Act, - act in the living Present! Heart within, and God o'erhead!

Lives of great men all remind us We can make our lives sublime, And, departing, leave behind us Footprints on the sand of time;

Footprints, that perhaps another, Sailing o'er life's solemn main, A forlorn and shipwrecked brother, Seeing, shall take heart again. Let us then be up and doing, With a heart for any fate; Still achieving, still pursuing, Learn to labor and to wait.

If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: "Poetry for Pleasure", View from Publishing Ltd., St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at: pemedia@pemedia.co.uk



Alice at the Palace

week and is offering a children's meal deal of burger, chips and a drink for just £4.50!

Alice In Wonderland will be showing twice daily at 11am and 2pm from Friday 2nd April to Thursday 8th April.

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From Walt Disney Pictures and visionary director Tim Burton comes an epic fantasy adventure Alice In Wonderland, a magical and imaginative twist on some of the most beloved stories of all time. Johnny Depp stars as the Mad Hatter and Mia Wasikowska as 19-year-old Alice, who returns to the whimsical world she first encountered as a young girl, reuniting with her childhood friends: the White Rabbit, Tweedledee and Tweedledum, the Dormouse, the Caterpillar, the Cheshire Cat, and of course, the Mad Hatter.

 $The \ Electric \ Palace \ is \ also \ a \ host \ venue \ for \ From \ Page \ to \ Screen \ from \ Monday \ 2nd \ April \ to \ Thursday \ 8th$ April and will be showing an evening movie daily at 7.30pm. Monday 5th - Where The Wild Things Are (Cert PG), Tuesday 6th - The Boys Are Back (Cert 12), Wednesday 7th – A Single Man (12a), Thursday 8th – My Last Five Girlfriends (Cert 12a). Tickets are £7 for adults and £5 for under 25s and can be bought in advance from Bridport Arts Centre.

For the From Page to Screen film nights, the Palace is opening their kitchens to offer delicious pre-film meals from 6pm! Make a night of it and enjoy a wide choice of real burgers from a spicy Cajun burger to a homemade veggie burger and the best ever homemade chips. To reserve a table call 01308 428354.



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Could politics delay The Apprentice?

RUMOURS that the next series of The Apprentice is to be delayed until next year have been denied by the BBC

Tabloid reports suggested that the TV show could be scrapped for 2010 if there

is a hung parliament.

The BBC have already delayed the series, which usually begins in March, due to Lord Alan Sugar's position within the Labour Party. In order to maintain political impartiality the corporation decided to delay broadcasting until November.

But as polls predict that neither of the two major parties will win an outright majority in this year's general election, speculation is rife that the show will be

rescheduled again.
A source told The Sun: "The Apprentice lasts for three months so it will prove very hard to find a slot for it this year if there is a hung Parliament.

A BBC spokesperson denied the claims, saying: "It's all speculation. We've filmed a series but scheduling decisions haven't been made. The date for the general election hasn't even been announced.

BLIND Date legend Cilla Black has revealed that she could be set to make a guest appearance in Coronation Street.

The TV presenter told how she has been approached by Coronation Street bosses in the past, but turned them down

Cilla told the Daily Mirror: "They have asked me to join the show. It's not their first approach - they have asked me several times. I love Corrie, but I keep saying no. 'I couldn't cope with all the hours they do, they work them like dogs. It's really

"I'd love to do more acting. It would be nice to do a cameo, but even Ian McKellen worked long hours when he did it for a while. If the role was right, I would do a one-off thing

But it doesn't look like Cilla's cameo is going to happen anytime soon.

A Corrie insider was quoted as saying: "No approach has been made for Cilla to appear in the show.

"Cilla's far too recognisable as Cilla Black. Corrie isn't a show that has people ap-

ENGLAND'S World Cup games were split by TV bosses yesterday after weeks of negotiation

ITV1 will screen England's first two group games, the first against the USA on Saturday, June 12th at 7.30pm, and the second against Algeria on Friday, June 18th at 7.30pm.

England's final group game against Slovenia will air on Wednesday, June 23rd at 3pm on BBC1. The BBC will also

broadcast the team's first two knock-out matches, should they progress that far. If England reach the semi-final, the match will be simulcast live by both broad-

The final on Sunday, July 11th in Johannesburg will also be screened on both BBC1 and ITV1, regardless of which teams make it that far.

ITV controller of sport Niall Sloane said: "We're delighted that ITV will kick off coverage of this summer's World Cup and that England's two opening games will be shown live on ITV1 in peak time.

"There is no bigger event on UK television or online than the World Cup and ITV will be at the heart of the action from the first kick through to the final whistle." BBC head of TV sport Philip Bernie added: "The BBC are very happy with how the TV split of matches for the World Cup has been resolved.

"The BBC has some of the most appetising of the group fixtures, and will be showing live every England match from their final group game onwards, so we hope to be with them for a long and successful campaign

'The BBC will aim again to capture the very best of the biggest event of the year across all its outlets." Both channels will also stream the games they are showing

by Philip Evans

IN DEMAND | Coverage of

Rooney and co will be split

BBC Young Folk Star To THEY'RE SHOWSTOPPERS! Play Turkish Folk Fusion



IN 2008 Dogan Mehmet's Anglo-Turkish music was recognised for its beauty and rareness when he was selected as a finalist for the BBC Radio 2 Young Folk Award. Since this early success, he has formed an outstanding backing band 'The Deerhunters' and is enjoying growing success a new British folk star, which has seen him sharing the stage with English folk greats Eliza and Martin Carthy.

Born and bred in Brighton, Mehmet is a second generation Turkish Cypriot, with both sides of his family from the island. His heritage forms a big part of his musical identity, alongside his love for the rich cultural heritage of English traditional

Dogan plays violin, guitar, melodeon, tenor guitar as well as many Turkish instruments in a wide cross-section of styles from jazz to soul. With his band The Deerhunters he mixes traditions to create an Anglo-Turkish fusion of gypsy-jazz and folk.

After a very successful first UK tour, Dogan has recently finished working on his debut album 'Gypsyhead', a captivating and energetic mixture of self-penned material and driven tunes from the English Morris and Turkish and Greek Cypriot tra-

ditions, giving the Deerhunters a real, disound that screams 'World Fusion'. MOJO reviewed the album "Whether in full Turkish mode, re-jigging English trad, or concocting his own patent mixture of the two, it's a remarkable debut ***"

Dogan Mehmet and the Deerhunters are playing live at the Electric Palace on Wednesday 14th April with tickets on sale now for £6.50 in advance and £8 on the door. For tickets call Bridport Tourist 01308 424901

Bridport Musical Theatre return with new show

THE stars of sell out shows "The Boyfriend" and "Anything Goes" return to the stage next month with "Showstoppers" - a showcase of everything great in musical theatre.

The Bridport Musical Theatre Company have been rehearsing relentlessly all winter to develop an evening of song and dance from some of film, Broadway and the West End's greatest and most loved shows.

The show features many of the cast who have worked on previous shows as well as a new influx of young talent who have joined the group following its recent success.

Choreographer Rebecca Mather has stepped up to take artistic control of proceedings working alongside Director Dave Swaffield and Musical Director Murray Davis.

Also joining the team this year is Vocal coach Trish Symon who has previously worked with the Royal Opera House in London's Covent Garden

The show features something for all ages with powerful songs from West Side Story, T and Les Miserables. Expertly choreographed dance numbers including tap, salsa and jive routines.

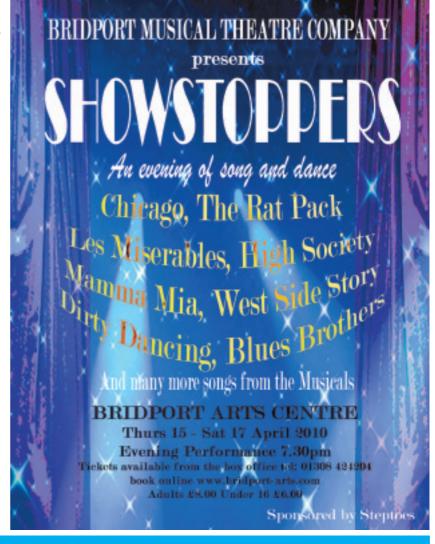
And some fun songs guaranteed to leave audiences with a smile on their faces from shows including Mama Mia, Blues Brothers and Dirty Dancing.

The show is the perfect introduction to the group who hope to build on their rapidly growing reputation before hitting the stage at the end of summer with their next full produc-

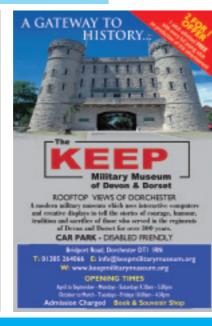
The next show planned for the end of August is "42nd Street", auditions are planned for the end of April.

"Showstoppers" runs from Thursday, April 15th until Saturday, April 17th with evening performances at 7:30pm. Tickets are £8 for adults, £6 for under 16s and are available from the Bridport Arts Centre box office on 01308









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Titans clash in 3D remake

FROM the creators of "Shrek", "Madagascar" and "Kung Fu Panda" comes new children's action comedy "How To Train Your Dragon"

The 3D Dreamworks Animation is based on the 2003 book of the same name by Cressida Cowell.

In a mythical world of Vikings and dragons, teenager Hiccup doesn't fit in with his traditional tribe. With hopes of becoming a top dragon slayer like his dad, Stoick the Vast, voiced by Gerard Bulter, Hiccup captures his first beast. Soon realising the dragon isn't vicious at all, he decides to befriend it instead of kill it and opens up a whole new way of life for his tribe.

Other voice talents include America Ferrera ("Ugly Betty"), David Tennant ("Dr Who") and Jonah Hill ("Knocked Up").



BASED on the comic book by Mark Miller, superhero comedy "Kick-Ass" (15) has received very positive early reviews.

The film follows teenager Dave Lizewski, who decides to become a modern day superhero called "Kick-Ass". After successfully stopping a gang fight in his costume, "Kick-Ass" becomes an overnight, internet phenomenon.

He soon meets fellow superheroes "Red Mist", "Hit-Girl" and her father, known as "Big Daddy" (Nicolas Cage), and gets himself into a much more serious situation than intended...

AMERICAN romantic drama "Remember Me" (12A) stars Robert Pattison of "Twilight" fame, Emilie De Ravin ("Roswell", "Lost") and Pierce Brosnan ("James Bond").

Set in New York City in the summer of 2001, "Remember Me" follows two young lovers - rebellious Tyler (Pattison), who has a strained relationship with his father (Brosnan) since his parents divorced after his brother's suicide; and Ally (De Ravin), who lives everyday to the fullest since the murder of her mother.

Released Friday, April 2nd

THIS week also sees the release of a remake of the 1981 film "Clash of the Titans" (12A)

The fantasy film is loosely based on the Greek myth of Perseus and stars Sam Worthington ("Avatar").

Having been originally set for release on March 26th, the film was adapted to 3D and will now be released on Friday, April 2nd.

by Francesca Evans



LISTINGS

Lyme Regis Regent Broad Street, Lyme Regis Tel: 0871 230 3200

Friday, Apr 2nd - Thursday, Apr 8th Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang (U)

Daily: 14.25, 17.25, (20.00) () = Subtitled Thursday Silver Screen Julie & Julia (12A) Thursday: 10.30am. Tickets £3.25

Dorchester Plaza

32 Trinity St., Dorchester Tel: 01305 262488

www.plazadorchester.com Friday, Apr 2nd - Thursday, Apr 8th How to train your dragon

Daily: 12.30, 15.05, 17.40, 20.10 Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang (U)

Daily: 12.00, 14.35, 17.10, 19.45

Weymouth Cineworld New Bond St, Weymouth Tel: 0871 200 2000

www.cineworld.co.uk Friday, Apr 2nd - Thursday, Apr 8th

Alice in Wonderland 3D

Daily: 14.00, 16.30

Nanny McPhee & The Big Bang (U)

Daily: 11.10, 12.50, 13.40, 15.20, 16.10, 17.50, 18.50

Shutter Island (15)

Daily: 21.15

The Blind Side (12A)

Fri-Tue: 14.30, 17.20, 20.10 Wed & Thu: 17.20, 20.10

The Bounty Hunter (12A)

Daily: 12.00

How to train your dragon 3D (PG)

Daily: 10.50, 11.40, 13.30, 15.50, 18.10, 20.45

How to train your dragon

Daily: 10.30, 12.50, 15.10

Kick-Ass (15)

Daily: 11.00, 13.40, 16.15, 17.40, 18.40, 20.20, 21.20

Clash of the Titans 3D

Daily: 10.45, 13.15, 15.45, 18.15. 19.00. 20.30. 21.30

Remember Me (12A)

Daily: 11.00, 13.30, 16.00, 18.30, 21.00

Excl: Sat 11.00

The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo (18)

Daily: 20.15

Aliens in the Attic (PG)

Sat: 10.00

Planet 51 (PG)

Sat: 10.10

Race to Witch Mountain

(PG) Sat: 10.20 Whip It! (12A)

Wed & Thu: 14.40

ALL LISTINGS ARE SUBJECT TO LATE CHANGES

CINEMA Film festival launches in Bridport this weekend

THE first "From Page To Screen" film festival will launch in Bridport this weekend with a rare chance to see the critically acclaimed "A Clockwork Orange" on the big

This will mark the start of week film screening and talks culminating in a showing of the Oscar winning film An Education with a talk from the author Lynn barber.

The festival runs throughout the Easter break from Saturday, April 3rd until Friday, April 9th and offers something for film lovers of all ages at the Electric Palace and the Bridport Arts Centre.

Highlights of the week will be a fancy dress Monster Mash party at the showing of "Where the Wild Things Are" and a screening of "Paranoid Park" a film from supporters of Bridport's Trick Factory.

Star appearances and talks include Julian Kemp on My Last Five Girlfriends and Alan Cubitt on The Boys are Back. Top regional speakers include TV producer Daisy Allsop, new Dorset novelist Natasha Solomons and her husband, screenwriter David Solomons. On the opening night "A Clockwork Orange" will be introduced by Dr Ian Hunter, Director of the International Centre for Adaptations at DeMonfort University and author of a forthcoming book on Stanley Kubrick.

Festival spokesman Steven Horner said: "We've really challenged ourselves this year with a full and rich programme, including plenty of films for younger people. We're particularly pleased to have so many expert speakers, several of whom are from the southwest who can put the films in context, give us their insights into the production process and share their views on the art of successful book adaptation."

For more information and to book, call 01308 424204 or book in person at the Bridport Arts Centre Box Office. The full festival programme is available to download at www.frompagetoscreen.org.uk.



From Page To Screen 2010 - full listings guide

Saturday, April 3rd 7.30pm - Bridport Arts Centre A Clockwork Orange with academic lan

Monday, April 5th

2pm - Bridport Arts Centre Paranoid Park with civil liberties activist Clive Stafford Smith and skaters from Bridport's The Trick Factory

7pm - The Electric Palace Where the Wild Things Are, featuring all ages monster fancy dress Monster Mash party

Tuesday, April 6th 10.30am - Bridport Arts Centre The Oueen of Spades **2pm** - Bridport Arts Centre

Bright Star **5pm** - Bridport Arts Centre - FREE

7.30pm - The Electric Palace The Boys Are Back with screenwriter Allan

Wednesday, April 7th 10.30am - Bridport Arts Centre

2pm - Bridport Arts Centre Five Children and It with screenwriter David

5pm - Bridport Arts Centre - FREE Natasha & David Solomons: Writing & adapting 'Mr Rosenblum's List' 7.30pm - The Electric Palace A Single Man with writer & diarist Katherine

Thursday, April 8th 10.30am - Bridport Arts Centre The Lady Vanishes

2pm - Bridport Arts Centre The Damned United

5pm - Bridport Arts Centre - FREE James Newman & Iain Simons: James Bond.

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7.30pm - The Electric Palace My Last Five Girlfriends with screenwriter and director Julian Kemp

Friday, April 9th

10.30am - Bridport Arts Centre A Room with a View with writer Horatio Morpurgo **2pm** - Bridport Arts Centre

The Informant! with investigative journalist

Paul Lashmar **5pm** - Bridport Arts Centre - FREE

Daisy Allsop: Transforming a book into film 7.30pm - Bridport Arts Centre

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SATURDAY APRIL 3RD

BRIDPORT: Coffee Morning with stalls at Bridport United Church Hall from 10am noon. In aid of Action for children. Telephone 01308 423250.

SATURDAY APRIL 3RD - TUESDAY MAY 4TH

BEAMINSTER: Glass: Collectors' Choices' - an exhibition. Open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays & Bank Holidays 10.30am-12.30pm & 2.30-4.30pm

WEYMOUTH: Easter Parade at Green Hill Garden. 2 - 4.30pm. Telephone 01305 833469 for more details

MONDAY APRIL 5TH

Виктон Bradstock: Easter Coffee Morning in aid of Julia House Hospice. 10.30am - 12.30pm at The Village Hall. Telephone 01308 897212 for more details

FRIDAY APRIL 9TH

LYME REGIS: Friendly battle with Bridport Camera Club at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. Telephone 01297 444733 for more details. Organised by Lyme Bay Photographic Club.

SATURDAY APRIL 10TH

DORCHESTER: The Dorset Art & Craft Show at the Corn Exchange from 10am - 4pm. Telephone 07730557090 for more details.

Bridport: Wessex Military Band Spring Concert at Bridport Arts Centre from 6pm. Telephone 01308 425010 for tickets or more details.

West Bay, NR BRIDPORT: Open Morning at the Salt House from 9.30am - 12.30pm. Telephone 01308 425436 for more details

BRIDPORT: The Lions recruitment coffee morning at The Salt House West Bay from 09.30 – 12.30. See the Julia's House charity stall and buy your ticket (£6.50) here for the Travelling Trends Fashion Show being held at the Masonic Hall, Bridport on Thursday, April 29th at 7.30. All proceeds from the fashion show going to Julia's House the Dorset Children's Hospice. Tel 01308 459854 for information. BURSTOCK NR BROADWINDSOR: A walk or sit in garden and lake. 2 course cooked lunch and drink £7.50. At Manor Lodge. Telephone 01308 868652 for more de-

FRIDAY APRIL 16TH

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Chumbawumba Concert Audience Supports Folk Against Fascism

ON Thursday, March 18th the Bridport Arts Centre rang to the songs of Chumbawumba. A large banner, with Neil Ferguson of Chumbawumba holding a guitar with Folk Against Facism writ large upon it, dominated the stage as the audience came in. The audience were delighted by the duets of O'Hooley and Tidow, their support, but really came to life when

The band's political stance in well known, they poured cold water on John Prescott at an awards ceremony, but their politics is more than posturing.

Chumbnawumba came on stage.

Jude Abbott, the feisty trumpet playing member of the band is actively involved in Folk Against Fascism, which was created to take a stand against the far right targeting of folk music. The British National Party's manifesto encourages its members to insinuate themselves into the folk and traditional customs of Britain, appropriating British folk music and culture as a means of spreading its peculiar brand of racism and intolerance.

The band sang a powerful song against facism and spoke of the Folk Against Facism movement. The theatre team decided to make a collection for the organisation at the end of the concert, and £75 was collected in buckets.

Billy Bragg, a firm believer in toleration and diversity,

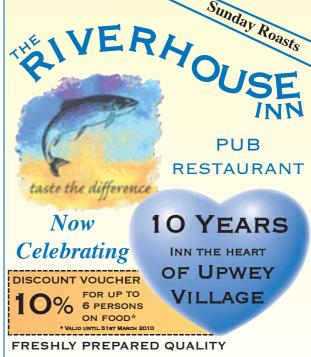
commented "I'm not surprised the people of Bridport put their hands in their pockets for Folk Against Facism, they are fair-minded people who will stand up for what is right."

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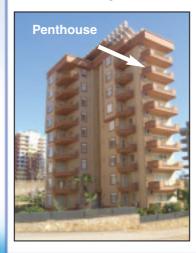
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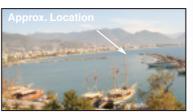
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- Sitting Room
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/Dining Room
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- Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- - Further Bedroom
 And En-Suite Cloakroom
 - Driveway Garage
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ROUSDON - £685,000



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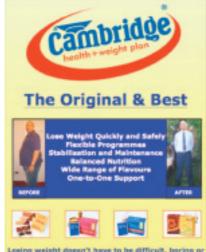
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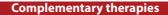
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The new models will be added to Avis's low carbon fleet over the next 12 months as the company continues to reduce its carbon footprint. Both models combine efficiency with comfort and equipment to offer enhanced economy and produce less emissions than their traditional counterparts. Yet all Blue-Motion products remain practical, stylish and are conventional to service and maintain.

Commenting on the forthcoming additions to the Avis rental fleet, Nick Mountfield, Head of Marketing Avis UK explained: 'As a nation we are becoming increasingly conof the scious environment, car emissions and fuel economy, and we are finding that

customers are keen to do their bit for the environment wherever possible. The Golf BlueMotion models were chosen as part of an ongoing drive to improve the offering of vehicles with low CO2 emissions and high fuel economy for the Avis Eco Collection.'

Mountfield continued: 'Due to the initial demand of Eco Collection and customer demand for the current Golf model, we

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SEASIDERS GO FIVE CLEAR

Uplyme hit 10 in hammering of Hinton



A 119th minute goal from striker Danny Larcombe has given Millwey Rise the chance of landing their fourth Jack Venn Cup in eight years, the Devonians scraped past Shepton Beauchamp 2-1 at Brimgrove Lane. Rise took a 12th minute lead through Adam Whitehouse but Sam Hawkins leveled two minutes later and from there the teams couldn't be split until Larcombe's late winner.

Millwey will face South Petherton Reserves in the Final at Combe's Slades Cross on May 3rd. Pethy had an easier ride in their semi

beating Forton Rangers Reserves 5-2. The result was effectively sealed at half-time with the hosts 4-1 ahead and cruising. Mark Padfield (2), Adrian Farrell, Andy Moody and Dean Smith were on target for the winners with Stuart Packer and Lee Goodland reply-

DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP Round Two

BEAMINSTER Reserves booked a date with first Division Forton Rangers in the last 16 as they deservedly beat Crewkerne Town Reserves 2-0 at Hen-

hayes. The Tigers started well and had two or three good chances before Beamin-ster showed the gap between Divi-sion's Three and Two as the took control in the second period. Josh Hunter broke the deadlock 10 minutes after half-time from the penalty spot after he himself had been hauled down by the hosts' goalkeeper. Hunter added a second soon after and the Rainbows path through the next round was secured. Top performers for Beaminster were the central midfield pairing of Richie Middleton and Tom

PREMIER

LYME Regis took another step towards the Premier Division title but were far from convincing in their 1-0 win at Combe Reserves. Indeed the step was more of a stumble with the

hosts nullifying the Seasiders high-flying line-up.

The all important winner came in

the 82nd minute when skipper Adam Caddy lashed the ball home to the delight of the Lyme travelling support-

Both teams felt they had legitimate goals ruled out for offside prior to Caddy's strike but the game itself was a damp squib with few clear-cut

Too many of the Lyme players ap-

peared to have one eye on Friday's Challenge Cup Final when they take on Ilminster Reserves at Forton

Ilminster will go into the game full of confidence as they extended their unbeaten run to nine games with a 3-0 win at Perry Street.

It was goalless at the break but strikes from Scott Jennings, Simon Manley and Mark Smith left Street still awaiting their first home win of the year despite the best efforts of star man Ben Stevens

Second-half goals from Jack Flatt and Joe Carbin against their old team gave Misterton their first win in 2010. The result gave Missy a league double over opponents Merriott Rovers and a leap of one place to ninth in the table.

The West-Dorset relegation tussle ended honours even as White Horse were held to a 1-1 draw by Charmouth at Symondsbury.

A Dan Rendall goal gave Charmouth a slender lead at the interval but this was cancelled out by Russell Weller in a match described by Horse assistant manager Nick Pomeroy as "dire".

There's a big night in store for South Petherton this evening (Tuesday). Karl Diment's side will take on Chew Valley Seniors in the Somerset Junior Cup Final at Shepton Mallet.

Pethy will be looking to lift the tro-phy for the third time in their history the previous two triumphs coming way back in 1958-59 and 1960-61.

Premier Division	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Lyme Regis	12	11	0	1	33	11	33
Beaminster	13	9	1	3	50	17	28
South Petherton	10	9	0	1	54	7	27
Ilminster Reserves	15	8	3	4	49	24	27
Barrington	15	7	3	5	29	36	24
Merriott Rovers	13	7	0	6	29	34	21
Perry Street	17	6	3	8	30	48	21
Combe Reserves	17	6	2	9	30	34	20
Misterton	16	5	4	7	26	32	19
Crewkerne	17	5	3	9	37	45	18
White Horse	14	2	3	9	22	38	9
Charmouth	17	0	4	13	22	85	4

DIVISION ONE

ILMINSTER Colts mini-slump continued as they went down to a 4-1 defeat at Winsham United.

The sides were all square at the break at 1-1 with Man-of-the-Match Henry Broome scoring for the hosts and Andy Fish replying. But a solid second-half showing saw

the Winsh improve their promotion hopes and canter home with goals Ollie Barrett, Tom Symes and Rvan Partridge

Farway United's hopes of an imme-

diate return to the top division were dealt blow as they were held to a 1-1 draw by relegation haunted Thorncombe. A neat Stuart Bicknell lob mid-way through the second-half gave the Thorns some hope of their first win of the year but this was snuffed out five minutes later by James Salter

Two of the other promotion candidates clashed at Forton, Visiting Netherbury came out on top in a bad tempered affair with a 4-2 win. An Alex Thompson goal gave the hosts a lead at halfway but efforts from Mark Cuff, Adam Sorrell and Phil Hussey swung the game the Ambers' way. Tom Robinson reduced the arrears but Hussey bagged a second to lift his team up to third in the table.

West & Middle Chinnock's promo-tion hopes have been dealt a blow after they fielded an ineligible player, Ryan Murray, against Netherbury.

The PSL officials will deduct three points from the Chinnocks' as a result.

Division One	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts
W & M Chinnock	11	8	2	1	44	23	26
Farway United	12	6	4	2	30	15	22
Netherbury	12	6	3	3	32	21	21
Winsham Únited	11	6	2	3	28	20	20
Forton Rangers	11	6	2	3	20	15	20
Ilminster Colts	9	5	3	1	20	15	18
Chard Rangers	13	3	1	9	21	52	10
Thorncombe	12	2	2	8	22	27	8
Pymore	8	2	2	4	12	20	8
Perry Street Res	11	2	2	7	25	34	8
Lyme Regis Res	10	2	1	7	23	35	7

DIVISION TWO

THERE was an astonishing result at Venlake where Uplyme and Hinton met for the second time in a week. The previous meeting had seen Hinton stroll to a 5-0 win, but the boot was very much on the other foot as Uplyme racked up their biggest win since Haselbury were crushed 13-1 five and half years ago.

There was no hint of the final 10-1 score line as the teams were tied 1-1 at the break, but as soon as the Swal-lows got their noses in front Saints heads visibly dropped and the goals flowed.

Player-chairman Gavin Fowler helped himself to four, there was a hat-trick for Alex Cottle, two for Nathan Turner and a penalty neatly converted by Pip Marchant.

It was certainly a day for lots of Division Two goals. Struggling Drimpton woes continued

Visiting Dowlish & Donyatt's 8-0 win means the Greens have now leaked 26 goals in three matches. Chris Lang (3),

Dabinett and Andy North were on target as the visitors extended their win ning run to three matches.

Division Two	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Millwey Rise	13	12	1	0	46	15	37
Norton Athletic	13	9	1	3	52	25	28
Dowlish & Donyatt	15	8	1	6	55	40	25
Hinton	15	6	3	6	40	35	21
Beaminster Res	12	6	2	4	31	27	20
Shepton Beau	11	5	2	4	33	17	17
Uplyme	14	5	2	7	31	37	17
South Peth Res	13	3	6	4	32	29	15
Forton Res	12	4	3	5	20	23	15
Drimpton	15	2	1	12	27	76	7
Chard United	13	2	0	11	18	61	6

DIVISION THREE

LEAGUE leaders Hawkchurch ended their recent poor run and moved 12 points clear with a routine 3-0 over Combe A. Dan Turner and Chris Tratt gave the Hawks a 2-0 lead at the break and Tim Hussey added a third after

There was a real ding-dong battle at Forton where Luso-Chard led 3-1 be-

Rhys Paterson gave the Seasiders an early lead but some sloppy defending resulted in the Portuguese side pouncing three times before the inter-val. Mark Taylor got on the end of a Ben Morgan cross to reduce the ar-rears before Jamie Jones converted a one-on-one chance to level.

Lyme then lost keeper Jim Larcombe with a knee injury, Harvey Brimacombe, who had a fine game at right-back, donned the gloves and was soon picking the ball out of the

Ben Strong tapped home an equaliser with the last kick of the game. Jose

Division Three	Р	W	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Hawkchurch	16	11	3	2	54	31	36
Fivehead United	14	7	3	4	26	24	24
CrewkRangers	11	7	1	3	44	21	22
Misterton Res*	15	7	2	6	39	41	22
Lyme Bantams*	13	7	1	5	40	29	19
Luso-Chard	12	6	1	5	44	34	19
Millwey Rise Res	14	6	0	8	28	33	18
Crewkerne Res	9	5	1	3	24	17	16
Combe A	13	4	2	7	22	26	14
Shepton Beau Res	15	4	1	10	30	44	13
Chard Rang Res	16	2	1	13	20	71	7
* = points deducted	d						

DIVISION FOUR

Chris Rawle (2) Matt Vinall Darren

Division Two	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Millwey Rise	13		1	0	46	15	37
Norton Athletic	13	9	1	3	52	25	28
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Uplyme	14	5	2	7	31	37	17
South Peth Res	13	3	6	4	32	29	15
Forton Res	12	4	3	5	20	23	15
Drimpton	15	2	1	12	27	76	7
Chard United	13	2	0	11	18	61	6

the restart.

fore being pegged back to a 4-4 draw by in-form Lyme Regis Bantams.

net as Luso regained the lead.

But the young Lyme side was not to be denied their share of the spoils and Bynto (2), Marco Ouedas and Cleo Franca scored for the hosts.

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Hawkchurch	16	11	3	2	54	31	36
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LOWLY Charmouth completed their home fixtures with a superb point after a 2-2 draw with table-topping Winsham United Reserve

POINT EARNER: Dan Rendall's

strike secured Charmouth a point

After a goal less first 45 Winsh appeared to be cruising to victory as the led 2-0 on the hour through Paul Stuart and Richard White

But an own goal from visiting keeper Paul Spurdle and an 80th minute strike from Dan Boot earned the Robins a fine draw. Charmouth manager Toby Gordon praised the efforts of Simon Knight who was standing in

for regular keeper Adam Dredge. Hawkchurch Reserves climbed off the foot of the League with a 2-1 win in the derby with Thorncombe Reserves

Man-of-the-Match Dan Morley pounced after Greg Harding's effort had come back off the bar to give the Hawks a 1-0 half-time advantage.

Paul Male pulled the Thorns back level but a free-kick from Joe Carter ensured all three points went to the Devonians.

A Gary Mansfield own goal saw

Combe B in front at the interval at Waytown Hounds. But a Tom Rutland strike gave the West Dorset side a share of the points. Top performer for the Hounds was Jason Carter.

Division Four	Р	w	D	L	F	Α	Pts
Winsham Utd Res	17	9	5	3	63	48	32
Ilminster Town A	13	8	2		41	30	26
Waytown Hounds	15	8	1	6	52	34	25
Hinton Res	17	7	4	6	35	44	25
Farway United Res	13	7	3	3	45	24	24
Chard United Res	12	7	2	3	38	25	23
Barrington Res	14	7	2	5	44	35	23
Combe B	19	7	2	10	59	52	23
Thorncombe Res	16	4	4	8	34	44	13
Hawkchurch Res	17	3	3	11	31	52	12
Charmouth Res	17	3	2	12	19	73	10

RESULTS

Saturday, March 27th Jack Venn Cup Semi-finals Shepton Beau 1 Millwey Rise 2 aet South Reserves 5 Forton Reserves 2

Daisy Hutchings Cup Round 2 Crewkerne Res 0 Beaminster Res 2

Premier Division

Combe Reserves 0 Lyme Regis 1 Misterton 2 Merriott Rovers 0 Perry Street 0 Ilminster Reserves 3 White Horse 1 Charmouth 1 **Division One**

Forton Rangers 2 Netherbury 4 Thorncombe 1 Farway United 1 Winsham United 4 Ilminster Colts 1

RARE GOAL: Pip Marchant join crushed Hinton 10-1.

for Lyme Bantams in 4-4 draw at in the goal-fest as Uplyme Chard United 2 Norton Athletic 9 Drimpton 0 Dowlish & Donyatt 8

Division Three Chard Rangers Res 1 Shepton Res 5 Fivehead 2 Crewkerne Rangers 2 Hawkchurch 3 v Combe A 0 Luso-Chard 4 Lyme Bantams 4

Uplyme 10 Hinton St George 1

Division Four Charmouth Res 2 Winsham Res 2 Ilminster A 5 Hinton Reserves 1 Thorn Res 1 Hawkchurch Res 2 Waytown Hounds 1 Combe B 1

FIXTURES

Friday, April 2nd Challenge Cup Final at Forton Rangers 3pm Ilminster Town Res v Lyme Regis

Saturday, April 3rd All matches below kick off 2,30pm Premier Division

Charmouth v Combe Reserves Crewkerne v Barrington Misterton v Beaminster South Petherton v Perry Street White Horse v Merriott Rovers **Division One** Ilminster Colts v Chard Rangers

Netherbury v Pymore Perry Street Res v Farway United W & M Chinnock v Lyme Regis Res Winsham United v Forton Rangers

Division Two Beaminster Reserves v Millwev Rise Chard United v Drimpton Forton Rangers Res v South Peth Res Norton Athletic v Hinton St George

Uplyme v Shepton Beauchamp

Division Three
Chard Rangers Res v Fivehead
Combe A v Shepton Beau Reserves
Crewkerne Rangers v Hawkchurch Lyme Bantams v Luso-Chard Millwey Rise Res v Crewkerne Res

Division Four Barrington Res v Charmouth Res

Farway United Res y Ilminster A Hawkchurch Res v Chard United Res

Monday, April 5th Reg Eglon Cup Final at Misterton 11am Thorncombe Res v Waytown Hound

Tuesday, April 6th Division One Cup Final at Chard Town FC 7pm Ilminster Town Colts v Netherbury

Wednesday, April 7th Division One (all 6.15pm) Farway United v Lyme Regis Res Forton Rangers v Chard Rangers Perry Street Reserves v Thorncombe

Lyme Regis Golf Club

Colley and Garner scrape victory on countback

SUNDAY, March 28th was forecast to be another rainy day in Lyme Regis. However, the weather stayed good enough to allow the participants in the March Winter League "four ball better ball event" to complete their rounds in dry conditions writes Steve

Although the weather was dry the recent wet weather made anywhere off the fairway difficult to put it mildly and also some of the greens proved a little tricky. In consequence the recorded scores were a little on the modest side.

In first place with 41 points were Mark

Colley, playing off 13, and Brett Garner playing off 14. In all they tallied three birdies between them and recorded seven pars on the "back nine" alone. Had it not been for some crucial missed putts on the first nine holes they could well have recorded an more impressive score and included a couple of birdie "twos" within that

Beaten into second place on countback were David Jones (20) and Kieran Borgeat(11). David scored what his playing partner descibes as a "fantastic two" on the par three eleventh by hitting a low running tee shot to within five feet of the pin and holing out in convincing fashion. Third place was taken by Adam White (11) and William Whitelaw (14) with 40 points.

Mixed Team defeated by fog

FOLLOWING the completion of the major ity of the earlier winter league rounds the Lyme mixed team took to the course against their Came Down counterparts.

Although all groups successfully com-pleted their respective first nine holes, with only three or four of the second nine played the Lyme Regis fog descended and forced the abandonment of the match.

A great disappointment to all as, with the exception of the Lyme pair of Jane Southcombe and John Colley who were up "8 and six", the match was finely poised at the end of play

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UPLYME kicked off on a sticky pitch but were quickly forced back into their own half where Beacon Knights took up residence for the first ten minutes before opening the scoring in the 12th minute, when a very well executed corner was headed home.

In the next five minutes they produced two more well executed corners; the second resulting in another headed goal. Ten minutes later a shot was lifted over Uplyme's keeper Brett James outstretched hands and a third goal resulted.

Shortly after restart Uplyme were awarded a free-kick but Jones' shot hit cannoned back off the crossbar. Uplyme's defence kept up their hard work; notably George Heath, but shortly before half-time Knights got their fourth goal.

In the second-half Uplyme were a different team and play in the first ten minutes was spent in the Beacon Knight's half. Markedly the Uplyme mid-field passed the ball forward well and in the seventh minute Will Ridout found Knight who fought hard and slotted the ball in the net.

In the 27th minute Uplyme were rewarded by a second goal thanks a ro-bust run forward by Jones and a pass to Jack Heath who slotted the ball into

Subsequently the hosts made substitutions and these paid off only with goals five and six arriving soon after. Just before the final whistle Beacon

Knights scored again to make the final Uplyme's Man of the Match was Matt

CHARD & District Swimming Club competed at the Somerset Age Group & Championships 2010 over the final weekend of 13-14 March 2010 and what another successful weekend it was writes Steph Hallam.

A number of Swimmers secured more South West Region Qualifying times (SWRQT) and South West Region Consideration times (SWRCT) with many Club Records and Personal Bests being achieved yet again.

A number of local club swimmers were awarded with Top eight 'BAGCAT Trophies' (British Age Group Category) Jake Hallam, 14, 4th. Jamie Pullinger, 11, 5th. Luke van den Barselaar, 14, 5th. Oliver Bilbie, 11, 6th and Lauren Harrison, 12, 7th.

Congratulations must go to all 5 for their determination and commitment throughout the Championships. Beckie Rutherford, 15, put in a strong performance in the 50m Backstroke with a SWRQT of 33.78.

Jake Hallam picked up 2 Bronze medals coming 3rd in the 200m Individual Medley with a new 14 years and under club record and SWRQT of 2:25.58, and in the 50m Butterfly with a time of 29:47. Jamie Pullinger, 11, added to his collection of SWRQT's with another in the 200m Individual Medley with a time of

2.57 70 Oliver Bilbie, 11, also picked up a Silver medal in the 50m

Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy FOLLOWING the UK's coldest weather for 30 years it's not only

the temperatures that are starting to warm up. Windsurfers nationwide are itching to get back racing and blow away the cobwebs, whether it's raceboard, Formula, RS-X, Techno or slalom, the 2010 calendar will provide plenty of action in all disciplines, and the Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA) will be hosting several events

Slalom, the most accessible form of competition, sees an exciting new race series for 2010 with the leading UK brands and retailers working together to bring eight events to some su-perb locations, with round two being held at the WPNSA on April 24th and 25th

A week later over May Bank Holiday weekend (May 1st – 3rd)

they host the first of the national course racing Cup Series. The autumn sees three more events with the UKWA British Open on October 2nd and 3rd followed by Speed Week (Oct 16th - 22nd)

The final event of the season at the WPNSA will take place on October 24th and 25th with the last round of the slalom series as well as the Racing Team Championships and the Prize Giving Party involving all classes of the sport.

MOSELEY TAKES THE REINS

Weymouth and District Table Tennis League

WITH Colin Davis recovering from surgery and Richard Hill indisposed, John Moseley has been given the task of negotiating the remaining Shipton Gorge B games successfully to take them to their first honours.

The task begins with an away match against Budmouth

B on Friday (2nd) followed by a home match against Preston next Tuesday (April 6th).

Shipton Gorge A 21 P&S Falcons Dorchester 13 THE absence of Gil Roberts made this match against mid

table Falcons tighter than it might have been

Although stand-in Eddy Buck took six sets to the wire he only came out on top in one of them and it was down to Richard Trim with a maximum nine points and Chris Glover with eight to edge Shipton in front and then round off the night with a convincing doubles win.

Shipton remain well placed at the top of the table.

Great start for rally team

LOCAL rally team Rex Ireland and Adrian Scadding got off to a great start in the first stage of the British Rally Championships last Saturday.

Competing in their Mk1Ford Escort complete with a brand new Ford Crossflow 1600cc engine they finished third in their class (C2) and a very respectable 15th overall in the Bulldog Historic Rally.

The event comprised of six stages in the forests of mid-Wales and despite a couple of problems which slowed them down, they did extremely well to finish just 1:42.0 minutes down on the winners Stephen Whitford and Simon Morrow in their Hillman Avenger.

Third after the first stage they encountered no problems until the fourth leg, Gaertheiniog, when they lost half of their throttle with two miles to go which lost them time.

However throttle fixed they continued to hold third place until four miles from the end of the final leg Dyfnant when the water pump broke which dropped them to fourth place.

Adrian said: "This caused the engine to overheat so we had to nurse it home to get a time which cost us around 1 ½ minutes.

"We are delighted to finish so high. We expected teething problems being a new engine but it went much better than we could have expected."

Rex currently stands third in the registered driver's championship, and Adrian second in the navigator's table.

The next round is at Carlisle racecourse on April 23rd /24th.

BRIDPORT SKITTLES

Cup fixtures for week beginning Monday, April 5th:

Ladies Palmer Cup – Semi-final TuesdayApril 6th: Lord Nelson – Alleycats v Brandy Snaps

Iclester – Ginger-Gales v Bad Girls.

Mens Nomination Cup – Semi-final
Tuesday April 6th – West Dorset Club: Dingbats v Slingers
Wednesday April 7th – Tiger: Wanderers v Shipfaced OR
Nelson Nobblers

Ladies Nomination Cup – Final Wednesday April 7th – Woodman: Ginger Gales v Cuckoos

Mens Gerry Nichol Cup – Semi-final
Thursday April 8th: Clock – Rockets v U Know The Blokes
Bradpole Club – Rejects v Cupid Stunts.

Mens Altham Cup – Semi-final
Thursday April 8th: Bridport Football Club – The Dingles
Bulldogs, Loders – Pioneers v Pinseekers

Portman Handicap – 4th Round
Friday April 9th: Crazy Gang v Seconds Out (12), Alcoholics
(17) v The Dingles, ATAR (19) v Denhay Farm, U Know The
Blokes V Ginger Gales (40).

BOB BUCKLER RACING

HEAVY GROUND MEANS QUIET WEEK

HEAVY ground put paid to many of Bob Buckler's proposed runners both last week and this.

At least six were withdrawn from racing at Exeter and Herefors two of the tracks where the stable had entries.

Sean Thornton gave himself every chance in the Lindley Catering Handicap Hurdle over 2 1/2 miles at Hereford on Wednesday, but tired on the run in to finish

Always up with the leaders he moved into second approaching the last hurdle but wasn't strong enough to hold on.

Head lad Giles Scott said: "He showed a bit of promise and jumped well, but tired after the last. Whether he didn't get the trip or needs to get a bit stronger

There were worries about Crank Hill after he was pulled up four fences from home in the Children's Day Handicap Chase at Wincanton on Sunday.

The eight-year-old has been fairly consistent with a win and seven placings in his 21 races to date, but he didn't run well at Exeter last time out over 3 ¾ miles when Buckler had no answer for his poor run

Scott said: We're mystified by it. He's been working well at home and there are no obvious signs why, so we will be getting the vet to have a look at him to check him

The weather hasn't improved this week either, and only two of the listed six look to have any (Wednesday) and Wincanton (tomorrow).

Howlin At The Moon and River Indus are almost certain to miss Exeter today with Ready Or Not the only possibility.

Similarly Ballygulleen and Culahill will probably find the ground too soft tomorrow at Wincanton, with Over The Flow the only possibility.

The Irish Grand National next Monday (5th) and the Whitbread Chase at Sandown in late April are possible targets for Double Dizzy after his encouraging run at the Cheltenham Festival.

In the meantime Niche Market is well and raring to go in the Aintree Grand National on Saturday

DORSET TO TAKE ON TOP STARS

DORSET County Cricket Club is delighted to announce two prestigious mouth watering friendly T20 matches against the cream of the world's crick-

They will entertain First Class County sides Somerset and Hampshire whose squads include such superstars as Kevin Pietersen and Marcus Trescothick.

The friendlies are being used by the two counties as warm up games ahead of their respective T20 campaigns, and are expected to draw large crowds to the games which are being played during the Whitsun school half term break.

They will play Somerset at Sherborne School (start time 2.30pm) on Sunday May 30thand Hampshire at Dean Park (start time 5pm) on Tuesday June 1st.

Dorset CCC Team Manager Sean Walbridge said: "A lot of hard work has gone into negotiating these two fixtures and we are very grateful to Brian Rose (Somerset) and Tim Tremlett (Hampshire) for their co-operation in arranging the games.

"The matches are being played during half term so we are hoping for big crowds. It will also give the young cricket supporters in the county a chance to come and see some world class cricketing talent on display.

"Both counties have told us they will be bringing strong sides so the matches are going be very entertaining. If you think about the talent on display, this is going to be a real treat for local cricket fans and especially our sponsors The Hearn Group."

Somerset's side reached finals days of the T20 competition last season and their line-up will contain the likes of Marcus Treascothick (captain), England player Craig Keswetter and Peter Trego (England

South Africans Zander De Bruyn, Alfonso Thomas and Charl Willoughby are also in the squad, and the exciting Dorset leg spinner Max Waller, back from the England winter performance training camps in South Africa where he was playing for Somerset.

Their overseas players for the T20 season will be Murali Kartik (India), Cameron White (Australia) and Keiron Pollard (West Indies).

Hampshire have never reached finals day but with their impressive squad they will certainly be looking to do so this season. Their side will contain the likes of captain Dimi Mascaranhas and England players Dominic Cork, Kevin Pietersen, Michael Carberry, Simon Jones and Kabir Ali.

Michael Lumb (England Lions) Nic Pothas, Sean

Ervine (Zimbabwe) and Sherborne schoolboy James Adams are also in the T20 squad.

Their overseas players for the 2010 season are Ajantha Mendis (Sr Lanka) the exciting leg spinner, Abdul Razzaq (Pakistan) and Shahid Afridi (Pakistan).

Ticket pricing for the matches is Adult £10. Children under 16 and OAP's £5 or a family ticket (two adults and two children) £20.

However, Dorset CCC members will be allowed entry to these games free on production of their membership cards

"We are hoping that this will encourage people to become members of Dorset CCC," added Mr Wal-

Anyone requiring information about becoming a member can do so by contacting Peter Moxam on 01929 462632

◆ Another treat for cricket supporters is the news that Dean Park will play host to the Pro 40 match between The Unicorns and Glamorgan CC. This season an ECB representitive XI named The Unicorns (emblem of the Minor Counties Cricket Association) has joined the competition, and they will play one of their home group matches at Dean Park on Sunday May 16th start time 11am



◆ KEVIN Pietersen - heading for Dorset

Boxing club

BRIDPORT Boxing Club is in desperate need of trainers to help at the gym.

Head coach Alan Slaney appealed for help because of the number of new men and women who have joined the club recently.

"We have had an influx of new members, both men and women, and we don't have enough coaches and trainers now to give them the attention they deserve, so we are asking for people who are interested to come and help out and take the strain off us a little bit. It's great that we have so many boxers but we do want to give them the best chance we can."

You don't have to be a boxer or a trainer or instructor either. "You must be sporty, enthusiastic and committed," said Slaney.

"The coaches at the club will give you guidance and indeed if you are interested we will support you in getting your coaching badge.

We welcome both men and women to come along, maybe there is a lady that would be interested in helping with our girl boxers for instance.

Anyone interested can ring Alan on 10308 425108 or go along to the gym at The Youth Centre in Gundry Lane on a Tuesday or Thursday night at 7pm.

BEAMINSTER FINISH WITH A FLOURISH

BEAMINSTER 3 SALISBURY 2nd 1

BEAMINSTER finished the season on a high with a good 3-1 victory that lifted them above Salisbury into fourth position in Channel Division One.

Despite going behind early on they fought back to lead by halftime and after Salisbury had seized back the initiative after the break, broke away to score and hold on for a convincing win. With Jenny Clarke not fit enough to take her usual place in the heart of the defence, she took over in goal giving regular keeper Rachel Andrews a rare opportunity to play outfield and she crowned her performance with the last goal.

Despite a bright start Beaminster fell behind on five minutes when Salisbury's Karen Hitchings scored following a right wing cross when the home side failed to clear their lines. This spurred the visitors for a while but Megan Tuck, once again a

threat with her powerful running, went close.

Beaminster equalised on 19 minutes when Jackie Gape scored with a superb shot following a short corner. Initially the goal was disallowed, but after consultations between the umpires, was given, much to the annoyance of Salisbury who claimed the ball was above backboard height when it crossed the line. The decision rattled the visitors and Beaminster controlled the match and scored again eight minutes later when Tuck, receiving the ball on the halfway line outran the defence, and although the keeper did well to partially block her shot, Tuck followed through to touch the ball over the line.
The start of the second half saw Salisbury take control and they pounded the Beaminster

goal. However despite win-ning several short corners they failed to capitalise al-though it looked like they would equalise at any time as Beaminster seemed al-most incapable of breaking out of their own half, and when they did the ball came straight back as they struggled to get any cohesion be-tween defence and attack, Andrews appeared to have missed the opportunity to

seal victory when she shot wide when in a good position twelve minutes from time. However a minute later she did find the net with another chance, driving her shot low to the keeper? right into the corner. This lifted Beaminster and

they once again became positive and began pres-surising Salisbury in order to prevent them dictating play, ing end to the campaign.



◆ GREAT GOAL: Megan Tuck in action against a ploy that worked and in the end gave them a de-served victory and a pleas-served victory and a pleas-Salisbury. She gave a superbly taken goal.

Racketball open night

THE UK's fastest growing racket sport is taking off in Bridport. An open evening at the Leisure Centre on Tuesday April 13th will showcase the sport of racketball.

Entry to the event is free and all ages and abilities are en couraged to attend and have a go or just watch the

demonstrations.

Event organiser, Clive Whaley, from the Bridport Squash and Racketball Club said: "Racketball is becoming very popular for three reasons; it's easy to play, it's good for fitness and its great fun. It's played on a squash court and it has a bigger and more bouncy ball than squash and uses a larger racket head – both these factors make it easier and less explosive than squash."

The evening starts at 7pm with a rules explanation, followed by the chance for anyone to have a go under the guidance of experienced coaches. The event will be rounded off by a spectacular exhibition game between Matt Baker and Gavin Perrett, two of the UK's best players.

Visitors on the night will be entitled to vouchers for free racket hire and half price play, as well as the chance to sign

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East Devon League (afternoon League Division Two)											
Table P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts						
Awliscombe B11	6	3	2	242	15						
Woodbury13	7	1	5	-74	15						
Colyton12	6	1	5	205	13						
LYME REGIS12	6	1	5	58	13						
Combe St Nicholas12	5	2	5	-86	12						
Musbury11	3	5	3	-40	11						
Sidford13	4	3	6	-107	11						
Soaton Cliff C 12	2	2	0	100	6						

♦ CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT: Dorchester Town Supporters Trust are holding their first quiz night in the Prince's Marquee at the Avenue Stadium, Dorchester on Friday April 9th.

The evening commences at 7.30pm for an 8pm start. The funds raised from the event will be shared between the Sup-porters Trust and Weldmare Hospicecare Trust in memory of Julian Slade. The event is kindly sponsored by Dorchester Tim ber Limited.

Tickets cost £5 per person which includes food and a first prize of £50. There will also be a raffle, and waitress service with

drinks served at your table.

Tickets are selling quickly so to avoid disappointment telephone 01305 850099 (include code when dialling) or visit www.magpiestrust.co.uk for more details.

SANDERCOMBE SUPER SHOW EARNS POINT

Bridport victory marred by Symes injury I

WEYMOUTH 0 THURROCK 0 Blue Square South - Attendance: 364

TIM Sandercombe was the hero as a young Weymouth side defied a Thurrock side still in with a chance of a

Sandercombe showed his potential with a string of superb saves despite a suspected broken thumb, and earned praise from visiting manager Hakan Hayrettin who also put all his squad up for sale after the match.

"Give Weymouth their due they fought very hard and their goalkeeper (Sandercombe) was outstanding."

Hakan however was very disappointed with his side's form and attitude, and after a poor run of form where the Essex side had only taken five points from a possible eighteen, he was not pleased with missing a host of chances against bottom side Weymouth.

"I think we missed twelve good chances today. I have told the lads that they are useless, and as of today they are all up for sale!"

. Weymouth caretaker manager Andy Harris was however delighted with the young Terras battling performance with Sandercombe the star as they arrested a run of six straight defeats.

Sandercombe denied Kenny Clark early on when he tipped his header over before having help from Cameron Mawer and Ollie tribe to block Leon McKenzie's effort on the line after he had rounded the young keeper

He then foiled Fola Orilonishe with a point-blank stop, Matt Bodkin and Reiss Gilbey all before halftime. Weymouth's only first half effort came from Robin Nicholls but keeper Joe Woolley had little difficulty col-

They did improve after the break with John Lamb shooting wide, but Thurrock continued to dominate.

Matt Bodkin had two chances for the visitors before Sandercombe produced a brilliant save to deny Jamie Foyle before then tipping Gilbey's effort around the post.

The Terras could have snatched it in the last seconds of added time when Leon Lalite blocked former Bee Shane Evans' shot on the line following Stephen Reed's

The point went someway to erasing their 7-1 defeat at Welling in the week (see below).

Weymouth walloped at Welling

WELLING UNITED 7 WEYMOUTH 1 Blue Square South – Att 427

WEYMOUTH'S young and inexperienced line-up had a night to forget as they went down to a 7-1 defeat at play-off candidates Welling United at Park View Road on Tuesday evening.

The Terras came close to opening the scoring early on when Carl Foster crashed an effort against Wings' keeper Charlie Mitten's crossbar.

But Jake Hobbs opened the scoring for the hosts in the 18th minute and when Lee Clarke added a second on the half-hour the result was never really in doubt. second goal in three days.

But Clarke slotted home a penalty soon after and the late trio of goals in the last five minutes just added salt to the Terras' wounds as they slipped to their heaviest defeat since the 8-0 home drubbing by Rushden & Diamonds just over a year ago.

BRIDPORT 2 PORTISHEAD TOWN 1 Toolstation Division One - Attendance: 112

SAM Charles came off the bench to score the winner in an incident packed match marred by an injury to Jamie Symes that resulted in the midfielder being taken to hospital with a suspected spinal injury by air ambulance.

The match was beginning to boil over when Symes and Portishead's striker Kieran Marsden challenged for the ball on the edge of the Bees penalty area on 68 minutes. It appeared that Marsden caught Symes in the small of the back with his knee as they both jumped for the ball, leaving the Bridport player prone on the ground.

Bridport's physio Nicky Legg took immediate control when she went on the pitch to attend to Symes, and called an ambulance as a precaution. After assessment by a paramedic, the HM Coastguard helicopter took Symes to Dorchester hospital where he was diagnosed with heavy bruising and allowed home.

The match poised at 1-1 was delayed for an hour, and when play resumed, saw Charles score a scintillating winner before being sent off with Portishead's Nick Sloane following a melee involving a number of players from both The visitors were then reduced to nine players in added time when James Heaks was dismissed for a second yellow card

There has been an edge in the games between the two sides over the past few seasons and this one was no differ-

Portishead captain Cleve Holder spent little time in fuelling this encounter with two heavy challenges in the opening minutes, although it was Bridport that had the best of the early chances with Ashley Clarke forcing The Possets keeper Nial Brown to save low down at his left hand post, before Jamie Symes should have done better with a free header from Dan Wise's cross. Brown was then forced to palm Dan Jones' cross away from the inrushing

Slowly Portishead forced their way into the game but it was 21 minutes before they had a shot on goal when Jamie Fry easily held Sam Ening's long range effort. Ening then caused panic in the Bees box with a Roy Delap type long throw that was headed on forcing Matt Condliffe to clear off the goal line.

Thy took the lead on 29 minutes rather against the run of play when Danny Benn ran on to a long ball out of defence and outpaced the chasing Ryan Hayter before deftly chipping Fry as he raced out to meet him.

Undeterred Bridport continued to take the game to their opponents and Condliffe did well to win the ball on the left before cutting inside and hitting a shot just wide of the left hand angle of the goal frame. Then Roger Cummings set up Senior by laying the ball into his path but the tall striker drove past the right hand post.

Benn, Portishead's best player, then forced Fry to tip his 35 vard effort over the bar.

Bridport almost equalised just before the break when Sloane and Brown got in a tangle trying to clear a cross.



♦ CRUCIAL STRIKE: Lyme Regis skipper Adam Caddy (amber) pounces on a loose ball to lash home his side's 82nd minute winner in the Perry Street League Premier Division clash with Combe Reserves, before taking the acclaim from team mates (inset).



◆ FOUL: Darren Watts is brought to the ground by a combination of Dave Pettit (7) and Cleve Holder Photo by STUART BROOM

Senior began and finished the move. Picking the ball up on the halfway line he fed Cummings who in turn switched the ball to Wise. He played Jamie Symes in down the left and his driven cross was met by Senior who had made ground to head the ball into the corner of the net.

Soon after Heaks picked up a yellow card for a culmination of fouls, when he brought down Condliffe.

Portishead might have taken the lead when Fry rushed out of his penalty area but was beaten to the ball by Benn who rounded him but then put his attempt wide.

Holder was eventually booked for a succession of niggly fouls before Charles and Adam Symes replaced Cummings and Dan Jones.

Soon after Jamie Symes was injured, and the match delayed whilst he was treated.

On its resumption Charles had two great chances to score before finally firing the winner.

He first miss kicked from 10 yards following a great run and cross from Adam Symes, before less than a minute later failing to get enough power in his shot after chesting down Wise's cross.

Two minutes later he made it third time lucky with a beauty that won Bridport the match. Wise found him again with another raking cross, which Charles controlled before nonchalantly lashing home a 20-yard drive that dipped wickedly over Brown who never moved off the spot.

Heaks might have equalised almost immediately but his attempted lob following a goalmouth scramble cleared the

The game exploded into an ugly finish on 82 minutes when Brown attempted to bring down Charles on the right hand corner of the penalty area when he lunged at him as he skipped past him. Charles reacted by barging into the back of the keeper which sparked a free for all started by Possets Ben Davis who weighed in with a rugby tackle.

When order was restored, referee Salter booked Brown before dismissing both Charles, allegedly for punching the keeper on the ground, and Sloane.

The game ended in further chaos as Heaks was finally dismissed in added time for a foul too many bringing him a

Physio Nicky Legg was praised for her actions in her treatment of Adam Symes.

Thankfully Symes was allowed home on Saturday evening with no more than heavy bruising to his lower

Bridport Football Club secretary Heather Scaddings said that the emergency services had praised Nicky for her actions in treating Symes before the paramedics arrived, and in calling for emergency help. They said that although his injuries were thankfully relatively minor her decisions were

Heather also praised Portishead player Oliver Hatfield, who is believed to be a fireman, for helping Nicky to stabilise Symes whilst awaiting the arrival of the emergency

Bees fall to last gasp winner

CADBURY HEATH 2 BRIDPORT 1

Toolstation Division One - Attendance: 87

BRIDPORT were denied a battling point when they conceded a last minute goal against an in-form Cadbury Heath

After a goalless first half, Darren Watts had pulled the Bees level after the hosts had taken the lead and it looked like they would come away with a point to boost their bid for a top ten finish.

However they conceded a late winner in the final seconds of stoppage time following a free kick on the right when a header from Simon Brown hit the post and rolled along the line where it was bundled home with keeper Jamie Fry just unable to get a hand on it.

Manager Trevor Senior said: "It was disappointing to lose so late in the game, but if I am honest Cadbury just shaded the game on chances. However it was another good display by us against a side who are in form."

In the first half Cadbury Heath hit the post and Fry was

forced into an excellent double save, whilst Dan Wise was just off target with a free kick.

The hosts went ahead just after the hour when Fry, who was maybe unsighted couldn't hold on to the Chris Astley's shot and Toby Colbourne was on hand to promptly poke

However Bridport soon responded when Ashley Clarke found Watts with a diagonal ball and he cut inside before equalised with a crisp shot.

"Going down the hill in the second half they were quite a threat particularly down the flanks, but I though Jamie Maidment and Dan Jones did very well against two tricky

Championship must wait

GILLINGHAM U10 4 BRIDPORT 2

BRIDPORT's hopes of sealing the league were put on hold when they failed to beat a Gillingham side that wanted vic-

Whether it was the long trip or reaction to the clock's changing, but Bridport did not look their usual selves even though they took the lead through Riley Weedon.

However it was only a matter of time before Gillingham scored and if it had not been for a string of brilliant saves from Jordon Scadding, the visitors would have been out of the match by half time.

If Bridport thought there would be a let up after the

break they were in for a shock as Gillingham with more passion and commitment took a 4-1 lead. Although Jake Rowland pulled one back they did not produce the form of potential champions, and go into the last game of the season knowing they need a point from a very good, strong Sturminster team to take the title.

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NEWS FROM WEYMOUTH RUGBY CLUB

SHERBORNE TOO STRONG IN SEMI-FINAL

WEYMOUTH 2nd 3 SHERBORNE 2nd 38

DESPITE a good first half display Weymouth could not contain Sherborne who ran out worthy winners of the Dorset & Wilts 2nd XV Shield Final played at Puddletown on Sunday.

From the kick off Weymouth attacked the Sherborne line led by hooker Craig North and veteran No8 Richard Barclay. They continued to go through the phases and were unlucky to only be rewarded with a penalty for their efforts converted by fly half Adam Darcy. Sherborne finally started to find their feet and continually attacked the Weymouth line, and a series of handling mistakes let them down. This wasn't going to last forever and they crossed the white wash just before half time for a converted

Sherborne made changes at the break and this gave them the edge and went on to record a comfortable 38-3 win despite some fantastic scrummaging and good defensive work from the whole of the Weymouth team, with flankers Matty Driver and Robert Rendell winning the man of the match

Captain Nathan Allan said: "Well done to all of the team. I couldn't fault their work rate and commitment and congratulations to Sherborne.

Weymouth U11 5 Sherborne 15

DESPITE a good performance Weymouth where undone by some poor defending decisions. Morgan Wyatt and Tyler Craig tackled their hearts out and there was good attacking play from James Davis but they could only score once, a try from Troy Brockle-

Weymouth U12 5 Sherborne 35

SHERBORNE started the strongest and scored all of their points in the first half. Weymouth's defence improved as the game progressed with great tackling from Henry Arnold, George Harvey and Robert Macdonald. Nathaniel Baynham Jones whose all round game won him the Man of the Match award was re-

warded for his work rate with a try. Welcome and 'well played' to new player Jonathan

Weymouth U13 43 Swanage and Wareham 26 IN a game in which Weymouth were short of a num-



◆TOO STRONG: Action for the 2nd XV Shield Final where despite possession here Weymouth (light blue) lost out th Sherborne

ber of key players, powerful running from Scott Mitchell, Anthony House and Joe Reed saw the Seasiders despatch a free running Swanage side who clawed themselves back into the match at the

Weymouth took command with three early tries and extended their lead into the second-half. Mitchell and House with three apiece were the major beneficiaries, with Connor Aitkin at scrum-half also forcing his way over.

Good kicking from Reed and Josh Leatham with two conversions apiece, made the win comfortable in the end although the pace of the Swanage backs gave some cause for concern.

Weymouth's aggressive counter rucking and fierce tackling were the cornerstones of the win with James Yuille and Rhodri Tanner both putting in some spectacular hits on Swanage players.

Weymouth and now building form and their rate of progress augurs well for a more successful campaign next season.

Salisbury 28 Weymouth U14/15 5

THIS was a well contested game played in a great spirit by both sides. Salisbury started strongly but Weymouth defended superbly with the backline making some great tackles and centre Ryan Price

putting in some huge relieving kicks.
The first score came following good pressure from flanker Tom Glynn, forcing a wayward kick from the opposition which Price collected and sprinted 50 metres to score in the corner. Salisbury responded with a good try of their own which they converted to go into the break 7-5 up.

The second-half saw Salisbury use the slope well to gain field position and despite a battling performance from Weymouth, were able to score three more converted tries. However this was an encouraging performance with some excellent rugby played. Man of the match: Ben Waller

BRIDPORT TABLE SKITTLES

Division A I	P W	Pts	Beer
Jesters19	9 15	73	16
Eye of the Tiger1	7 14	59	11
Second hand Clock1	7 12	57	13
Chillieheads19	9 10	55	9
Sally Mustangs19	9 9	47	6
Oak A Nuts1		43	7
No Hopers1	9 8	43	11
Crown A1	8 9	41	3
Whats teh Odds1		38	13
Simpsons18	8 8	36	6
Cross Shots19	9 7	31	8
Classics1	9 3	29	8
Division B	P W	Pts	Beer
Kens Prix1	9 15	64	10
Five of Clubs1		54	9
Consorts1		50	12
Freds Heros1		49	10
Baggies Boys1		49	12
Mucking Fuddlers1	B 11	48	6
Fishermans Friends1		45	9
Slingers1	9 9	45	9
Five Aive1		43	10
George Gormets1		41	9
Upstairs Downstairs1		40	10
Crown Spares1		32	6
Division C	P W	Pts	Beer
Tanners A1		68	15
Bellends1		67	10
Who gives a tuck1		65	11
West Dorset Clubbers1		55	13
Time Wasters10		48	13
Stickups1		45	8
The B Bs		39	8
Exiles1		34	5
Catch of the Day1		33	9
Crown Handbags18		32	6
About Time1		29	7
Kings of Hazard1		24	3
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ON THE ATTACK: Action from Weymouth U11s (light blue) against Sherborne. **Photo by CHRIS DAVIS**

RUGBY ROUND-UP

GAINES HAT-TRICK SEALS VASE WIN

But no joy for Weymouth in heavy loss at high-flying Wimborne

SATURDAY last was another "hit or miss" weekend as far as local rugby was concerned, with the Bridport, Crewkerne and Honiton first sides being without fix-

The Dorchester and Weymouth second teams too, were left kicking their heels, while the Bridport second side's friendly against their Honiton counterparts did not take place, owing to Honiton having to play a catch up Merit table game.

There were some interesting encounters taking place however, and I took myself off to Chard to take in their vital encounter against league leaders Bristol Harlequins.

MELKSHAM 25pts DORCHESTER 28pts

DORCHESTER would have gone into this Dorset & Wilts Vase game, against a side from the Northern section of the Dorset & Wilts League Division One, with confi-

They faced the breeze in the first-half and took an early lead with an Adam Jones penalty but before long the home side, having kicked their way into an attacking position, broke down the left, offloaded smartly and got over for a try that they converted. A couple of tries by winger Caines, one

out wide and the other, scored under the posts and converted by Jones, then took Dorchester clear at 15-7 ahead, but Melksham had certainly not turned out just to make up the numbers.

Dorchester were perhaps guilty of thinking that the game was won and gave the home midfield rather too much space and it showed its appreciation by scoring two tries, one of which was converted.

It kicked a penalty goal too just before the break to take the score to 22-15 in the home side's favour.

Now with the wind at their backs, Dorchester started the second-half brightly. A second Jones penalty reduced the deficit, and Gaines' hat-trick try, again converted by Jones gave them a three point lead

They really should have gone on from there but did not do so, and their opponents, who were far from done, kicked a penalty goal deep into the final quarter to tie the scores at 25 points each.

This made things rather too close for comfort, but Dorchester regained the initiative and attacked

They won a penalty and Adam Jones stepped up to bisect the uprights and to give his side the lead.

Melksham had no time to mount a rally and it is Dorchester's name that goes into the hat for the semi final draw. Too close for comfort though.

WIMBORNE 55pts, WEYMOUTH Nil

TO win this Dorset & Wilts Vase encounter against a side vying for promotion from the Southern Counties (South) Division was always going to be a big "ask" for Weymouth.

In fact they competed well to trail 0-19 at the halfway stage before running out of steam in the final quarter when their opponents scored three tries to stretch

In fact it turned into a pretty good day all round for Wimborne for, after the whistle for no side had sounded, they learned that rivals for a promotion place, Frome, had been unexpectedly bested by Tadley, and they now lead the division with a couple of games left.

PREVIEW

CALLING ALL SQUADDIES, MATELOTS, AND ERKS. On Easter Sunday, April 4th, commencing at 2pm, a charity rugby game will take place, hosted by the Honiton RFC at Allhallows when Armed Forces Past and Present will oppose a Honiton Select XV, with all proceeds going to the HELP FOR HEROES fund. Any serving or past member of the military is invited to turn up and participate. All that is required of you is that you bring a pair of boots, socks and shorts.

As an added inducement, a beer festival will run alongside the game, with some 15 different beers and five types of cider available.

As a former conscript myself I well remember that most of my colleagues would have strolled over hot coals for a pint of beer and I am sure therefore, that those involved since will rally to the call and count any bruises received as being received in the best of good causes. I give you the best of Sunday April 4th!

Note:- Prospective players should con-Richard Terry. Telephone 07730499564.

with Keith Jenkin

Rugby at Easter is really a shadow of its former self. At one time fixture lists would be littered with touring sides at this time of year; now however Easter Saturday is devoted to the catching up of postponed league games.

Seemingly all three local clubs are up to date with their respective league programmes and therefore very little rugby will take place on what was once the busiest weekend of the year.

FIXTURES: 3rd April - Bridport v no game; Bridport 2nd v no game; Chard v no game: Chard 2nd v Somerton (home): Chard 3rd v Wiveliscombe 2nd (home); Chard Colts v Sidmouth (home); Crewkerne v Bridgwater & Albion 3rd (home); Dorchester v no game; Dorchester 2nd v no game; Honiton v South Molton (home); Honiton 2nd v Withycombe 2nd (home): Honiton Colts v Wadebridge (away); Sidmouth v no game; Sidmouth Colts v Chard (away); Weymouth v no game; Weymouth 2nd v no game.

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INSIDE: Comprehensive local sports news round-up

Senior glad to see back of Portishead

TREVOR Senior is glad to see the back of Portishead Town for this season after his side's 2-1 victory at St Mary's Field which was marred by an injury to Jamie Symes which fortunately would ap-

pear to only be heavy bruising.
Chris Senior had scored directly after the break to level the match and it appeared as if Bridport were just beginning to get the upper hand when Symes was injured in a collision with Portishead's Kieran Marsden.
After initial treatment physio

Nicky Legg deemed the injury to his lower spine to require additional medical treatment and an air ambulance was called to take the mid-fielder to hospital.

Senior said: "The victory was marred by the injury to Jamie, but fortunately there was no serious damage and he was allowed home later. He is in quite a bit of pain and on a lot of painkillers and has been told to rest for a week or two.

"We started brightly enough and

By STUART BROOM

had a couple of chances but then they slowed the game and took their time with everything they did like free kicks and throw-ins. They basically only had the long throw-in and getting the ball forward quickly. However it was very effective and stopped us in our tracks for 25 minutes. It stopped us getting up a head of steam, and unfortunately when we did get back into the match there was the delay with Jamie.

"Their goal was as a result of us committing men forward and then giving the ball away with a mis-

placed pass.
"We got our tempo back in the second half and started really well and equalised, and I felt that we would go on them and win the game, but then we got the distraction of Jamie's injury. Fortunately Sam (Charles) came up with a great finish to get the winner, but he's a bit disappointed because it's the

first time he has been sent off.

Senior was a bit disappointed with the referee. "Nothing went our way, there were lots of things going against us and a lot of niggly challenges that they got away with. The ref even had to borrow a red card from his assistant, that's how good he was!

"The good thing is we got three points, and Jamie's alright!"

Looking forward to last night's clash with Chard Town, Senior said: "The Chard game is a big one. The lads are on a high from the Portishead match which stops our run of two defeats on the trot, but Chard are on a run of their own having won their last two.

"It's a local derby and although we were leading the original match 1-0 when it was abandoned at halftime, they had the elements in the second

"The league position suggests we should win, but it is a local derby, but if we play like we can we should get the three points."



draw with Charmouth at Symondsbury in a show of support for their team mate Richard Mawditt who suffred suspected cruciate knee ligament damage in the previous week's match with Misterton. Line-up, back row from left: Nick Pomeroy (assistant manager), Aaron Marshall, Colin Paul, James Pitcher, Ashley Walkey, Lee Quincey, Carl Ives, Richard Mawditt. Front: John Kingston, Tom Franklin, Nathan Patten, Chris Potter, Peter Lawrence, Rich Bolton, Jed (mascot), Russell Weller, Richard Pincombe. Photo by HOWARD LARCOMBE



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